

EMPIRE NEWS

CANADIAN PREMIER ON U.S. FRIENDSHIP

Ottawa. During the debate on the speech from the Throne the Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, sharply rebuked Dr. Manion, the Conservative leader, for references to the United States.

Opening the debate, Mr. Manion criticised the new trade agreement with the United States, saying the Government was wrong in the belief that economic bonds would result in closer relations or alliances.

He cited the United States treaty with Czechoslovakia, stating that the United States did not come to Czechoslovakia's assistance, but contented itself with sitting back and "heaping abuse" on Mr. Chamberlain's peace efforts.

Mr. Mackenzie King said: "I am astonished, considering the situation which exists in the world to-day, that the part played by the United States, along with Britain and other democratic countries, to hear the leader of a political party say he thought all the United States had done was to criticise Mr. Chamberlain."

"I can conceive nothing less patriotic in these times. The basis of civilization is dependent upon friendly relations between the English-speaking countries of the world."

Kingdom of Canada.—A resolution introduced into the House here recently by Mr. Lucier, a Quebec Liberal, proposes to change Canada's name from the Dominion of Canada to the "Kingdom of Canada." The resolution further proposes that the title of Governor-General be altered to "Viceroy," and that the "Viceroy" should be Canadian born.

Mr. R. B. Bennett's Future.—It is predicted that Mr. R. B. Bennett, former Prime Minister of Canada, who is shortly to take up residence in Surrey, will stand for the British Parliament and take an active part in British politics.

NEW ZEALAND

TINNED FOOD PRICES RISING

Auckland. An upward trend in the price of foodstuffs in consequence of the new import restrictions is apparent. Goods chiefly affected are tinned foods and matches.

Importers say the control system is too complicated. They suggest simplification.

Preference for Britain.—Mr. W. Nash, Finance Minister, addressing the Associated Chambers of Commerce recently said the maximum trade preference would be given to Great Britain under the import control policy.

INDIA

CARGO STEAMER LOST WITH ALL HANDS

Bombay. The cargo steamer *Cumbay Star*, 637 tons, is reported lost with all hands off Bombay. The crew of 20 included Engineer C. G. M. Cooke. The Indian Navy conducted a long search, but only an upturned lifeboat and a mast top were seen.

THE QUEEN TO SAIL WITH OWN FURNITURE



Members of the Unemployed Workers Movement in London chained themselves to railings outside the Labour Exchange at Stepney, protesting economic conditions in England. Here some of them are receiving cups of tea, while police, in lower part of picture, use a hucksaw to set them free.

Not Enough To Be A "Bright Young Thing"

MRS. E. V. PARKER, president of the National Union of Teachers, reproved local education committees recently.

She was addressing several hundred teachers, members of the Nursery School Association of Great Britain, at their annual conference.

Many members of education committees seemed to think that "a bright young thing without any training" is good enough to look after children between two and seven.

"The nursery school," she added, "has shown how children can not only learn, but enjoy learning. It would be better for the children if the junior schools followed even more closely the methods of the nursery school."

But they cannot do this while there is selective examination at the age of about 11."

Mrs. F. W. Ogilvie, wife of the Director-General of the B.B.C., presided.

Nursery-school age is two to five. Mrs. Ogilvie would like to see it extended to seven.

FEARS that the Government's re-armament policy will curtail educational and social services were expressed by some of the 400 delegates, representing 12,000 schoolmasters, at the annual conference, at Plymouth, of the Incorporated Association of Assistant Masters in Secondary Schools.

The conference passed unanimously a resolution "viewing with great alarm the recent steps taken in the Board of Education Circular 1404 to restrict the development of secondary education."

It unanimously agreed, also that headmasters were "too young at thirty."

ALLEGATIONS of snobbery by interviews of boys wishing to enter Sandhurst and Woolwich were made at the conference of the Headmasters' Association.

Dr. Terry Thomas (Leeds Grammar School) said that one of his boys was asked by "some stupid old buffer" whether his school was a private school, a preparatory school, or a secondary school.

"The boy," said Dr. Thomas, "complained bitterly that he had been put right off and did not know what to say. He said to me, 'I do not think they want boys from Leeds Grammar School.'"

Widow Ejected From Court

MRS. W. J. SOUTHAM, the widow of a wealthy Northamptonshire auctioneer, was ejected from Market Harborough Police Court recently.

The court had been sitting 15 minutes when Mrs. Southam entered and took a front seat in one of the public benches.

Suddenly she got up, took off her hat and attempted to address the magistrates, calling two of them by their names.

For nearly an hour she waited outside the court shouting, and once she tried to re-enter. Finally she was told that if she wanted to make an application she could do so in writing and a note was handed from her to the bench.

Mrs. Southam said that she had been threatened with a rate summons, and wanted advice from the bench.

"When my husband was alive I was asked to be a magistrate. Now I am rebuffed," she added.

Rabbit Hunted, Bear Found

Kezar Falls, Me. Game Warden Verne Black had to use five rounds of ammunition, but he finally killed a 400-pound bear whose hideout had been mistaken for a rabbit's burrow by a frightened novice hunter.

Misunderstanding about the A.R.P.

Four hundred warplane factories are to be provided with A.R.P. shelters by the Government, each holding 50 persons and costing £95.

Thousands will be constructed and the new scheme will take the place of the system of protecting the workers in trenches.

The shelters will not be gas-proof, and every shelter will be instructed to take his gas mask with him in the event of an air raid. But apart from this, unless a direct bomb hit is made, they will give 100 per cent. protection.

The Air Ministry has worked out the scheme in co-operation with the Home Office, and owners of all factories producing aeroplanes for the Government have received details.

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Repulse Gun Moved for Royal Sun Lounge

PORTSMOUTH.

THE King and Queen will have their own furniture in the battle cruiser *Repulse* when they cross the Atlantic to Canada in her in May.

Dining and drawing room suites from the royal yacht *Victoria* and *Albert* are to be transferred as soon as the building of their apartments in the ship is completed.

The extra cabins are being put on the open deck alongside the superstructure. They will make the *Repulse* suitable for use afterwards as a flagship, which carries extra staff.

The quarters normally occupied by the captain are being refitted for the use of the King and Queen. There will be a big day cabin and study for the King, and a dining-room, the whole width of the ship. All the cooking will be done in the existing captain's galley.

FITTED AS BOUDOIR

The captain's sleeping cabin will be the King's bedroom, and his spare cabin the Queen's. An extra bathroom is being installed for the Queen's use.

The captain will have to live in the small sea-cabin on the bridge, which he uses in the ordinary way only while the ship is at sea.

Vice-Admiral Sir Dudley North, who commands the royal yachts and is responsible for the King's safety at sea, will probably be in the *Repulse* for the cruise.

One of the extra cabins being built on the port side is to be fitted up as a boudoir for the Queen. It will have dainty hangings, a pile carpet, and comfortable chairs.

The fighting equipment of the *Repulse* has been affected hardly at all by the changes. One 4-inch gun has been dismantled to make a sun lounge above the King's dining-room.

STORED IN HANGAR

Two other 4-inch guns of old pattern have been removed from the ship on which the new cabins are being built, but they were due to be replaced by more modern guns in other positions.

Many of the officers will have to give up their cabins to members of the suite and "double up" for the time being in two-birth cabins with other shipmates.

The whole of the twenty-five tons of baggage for the royal party will be stored in one of the hangars. It will be loaded and unloaded by the cranes that normally hoist in the ship's airplanes.

The royal barge from the *Victoria* and *Albert* will be used for all trips between ship and shore. The piano in the royal apartments is also to be transferred from the *Victoria* and *Albert*.

Bomb Shelters For 500 War Factories

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60 Years Wed, He Celebrated

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Medhurst celebrated their diamond wedding at Windsor-road, Hailsham, near Eastbourne, recently.

Mr. Medhurst, who is 86, came home earlier than usual from his thatching to play cribbage with Mother.

And as he plays cribbage with Mother every other night, the day was not very much different from most.

THE OLDEST THATCHER

Mr. Medhurst is a very busy man—he has thatched homes specially for Royalty.

Charity was there, but not Faith and Hope.

Faith, Hope and Charity are the triplets among Mr. and Mrs. Medhurst's family of eight girls and four boys. All three are married, Faith and Hope could not get away from their homes.

Mr. Medhurst claims to be the oldest working thatcher, last of generations of thatchers, for his sons spurned the trade.

"PERFECT HAPPINESS

Recently he cycled six miles to Cowbeach to thatch a roof in a biting north-west wind.

"It's a trade you have to learn young," he said. "I thatched Compton Place, at Eastbourne, before King George went to stay there."

"And I did it again before our present King and Queen went there."

"I've had 60 years of perfect happiness. I've been blessed with a good wife."

Mr. and Mrs. Medhurst have 25 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Electricity

Price Goes Up

CENTRAL LONDON ELECTRICITY LTD., which serves the City, Westminster, Chelsea, and parts of Hammersmith and Kensington, announced recently a 7½ per cent. increase in price to all its electricity consumers.

They give the same reason as the big gas companies gave for dearer gas a fortnight ago: "Increase in the price of coal and other items."

Electricity charges went up from February 1, except on the two-part tariff system, where the increase will start from the expiry date of the current contract.

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MINISTER WAS "ONCE ON DOLE AND A TRAMP WITHOUT HOPE"



This picture shows London Labour Minister, Mr. George Lansbury, and Lord Halifax, who made too much noise when they came to Hong Kong. The man was one of the Unemployed Workers' Movement members who called, shouting, "Feed the unemployed, not the police!"

Prison Singers

Sydney, N. S. W. A concert given by the inmates of a prison for the first time in Australia. The Goulburn, N. S. W., prison radio listeners heard community broadcast by a national station.

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SABOTAGE CAUSES RAIL DISASTER

CALCUTTA. Seven persons were killed and 50 injured in the derailment recently this morning of the Calcutta-Delra Dam express, 210 miles from Calcutta. Sabotage is suspected. The first and last coaches derailed and overturned. Fire broke out and some work was carried out in the light of the burning coaches. Only the iron framework was left. Most of the injured are burned.

SOUTH AFRICA

£700,000 FORTUNE OF RAND PIONEER

CAPE TOWN. A fortune of £719,000 has been left by Mr. J. P. Koster, who died, aged 81, at Cape Town on Nov. 24. A German by birth, Koster came to South Africa as a young man, becoming one of the early pioneers of the Rand.

BURMA

STUDENTS' STRIKE SPREADS

RANGOON. The students' strike has spread to industrial workers. Omnibus services are not running. Columns of marchers are parading through streets darkened by the smothering of street lamps. Buddhist priests are active, and the tone of the Burmese press is extremely violent.

It is generally felt that Government repression of authority is needed. As yet, however, only a few arrests have been made among the leaders. The release of these has been promptly included among the strikers' demands.

Lesson of Life On Roads

COLLIER, SHIP'S RIGGER, TRAMP, AND NOW METHODIST MINISTER.

Such has been the colourful career of the Rev. Norman Burns, aged 33, a Dundee man, who has charge of a church at Tilhurst, near Reading.

Mr. Burns said recently that 10 years ago he was at his wife's end.

Time after time he had been thrown on the dole by a shortage of work and finally decided to take to the road.

For months he tramped the country doing odd jobs, sleeping in casual wards and sometimes in the open air.

WAS WITHOUT HOPE. "Life meant nothing to me. There did not seem to be anything worth living for," he said.

To-day he is looking forward to marrying a girl whom he met after his arrival at Tilhurst two years ago.

"After I had wandered throughout almost every county in England I returned to my senses to some extent and went back to Newcastle, Mr. Burns disclosed.

"There I attended a religious meeting in a cottage, and was converted.

"Later I met Mr. Jack Graham, former chairman of Newcastle United F.C. and a local preacher.

"He introduced me to the late Rev. D. L. Pawson, who persuaded some local business men interested in the church to advance money for my instruction as a Methodist minister at Cliff College, Derbyshire.

SMASHES SNOBBERY. After his training Mr. Burns spent five and a half adventurous years working among the fisherfolk and lumberjacks of Labrador and Newfoundland.

Mr. Burns confesses that he is finding it difficult to adjust himself to church routine after his rough life in the West.

"I myself am my worst problem," he said.

"But my experience as a tramp has given me a deep understanding of human problems.

"I know how terrible the effect of unemployment can be.

"It makes a man unemployable and kills his hope and self-respect.

"To be 'down and out' smashes every spot of snobbery in you. It makes you accept men as men."

A Mauve Dress Made Him Famous

TWO women and a young man sat recently in a lecture theatre at the Royal Institution, W., and watched a professor show how one of their ancestors made a mistake that brought him prosperity.

The lecturer, Professor James Kendall, told how William Henry Perkins discovered aniline dye.

In the audience were Perkins' daughters, Mrs. Perkins, of Nottingham Hill Gate, W., and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, of Ealing, W., and a grandson, Mr. Peter Kirkpatrick.

Perkins was trying to prepare quinine artificially when he found the dye instead.

His dye was mauve, not a popular colour for women's dresses in Britain nearly a century ago.

But in 1862 Queen Victoria changed all that. In half-mourning for the Prince Consort, she bought a mauve dress at the Royal Exhibition.

The colour became immediately fashionable. The dye industry Perkins had founded flourished. He was knighted.

Professor Kendall showed a piece of the actual material from which the mauve mourning dress was made.

Oregon Marriage Costs

Portland, Ore. Oregon's new marriage law, requiring medical examination, brings the cost of marriage now up to \$13 a couple. The physical examination costs \$5 for each of the parties and the license \$3.

FOR THE NURSING MOTHER

Both before and after the birth of her children, a mother needs plenty of simple, easily digested nourishment to meet the extra demands made upon her system.

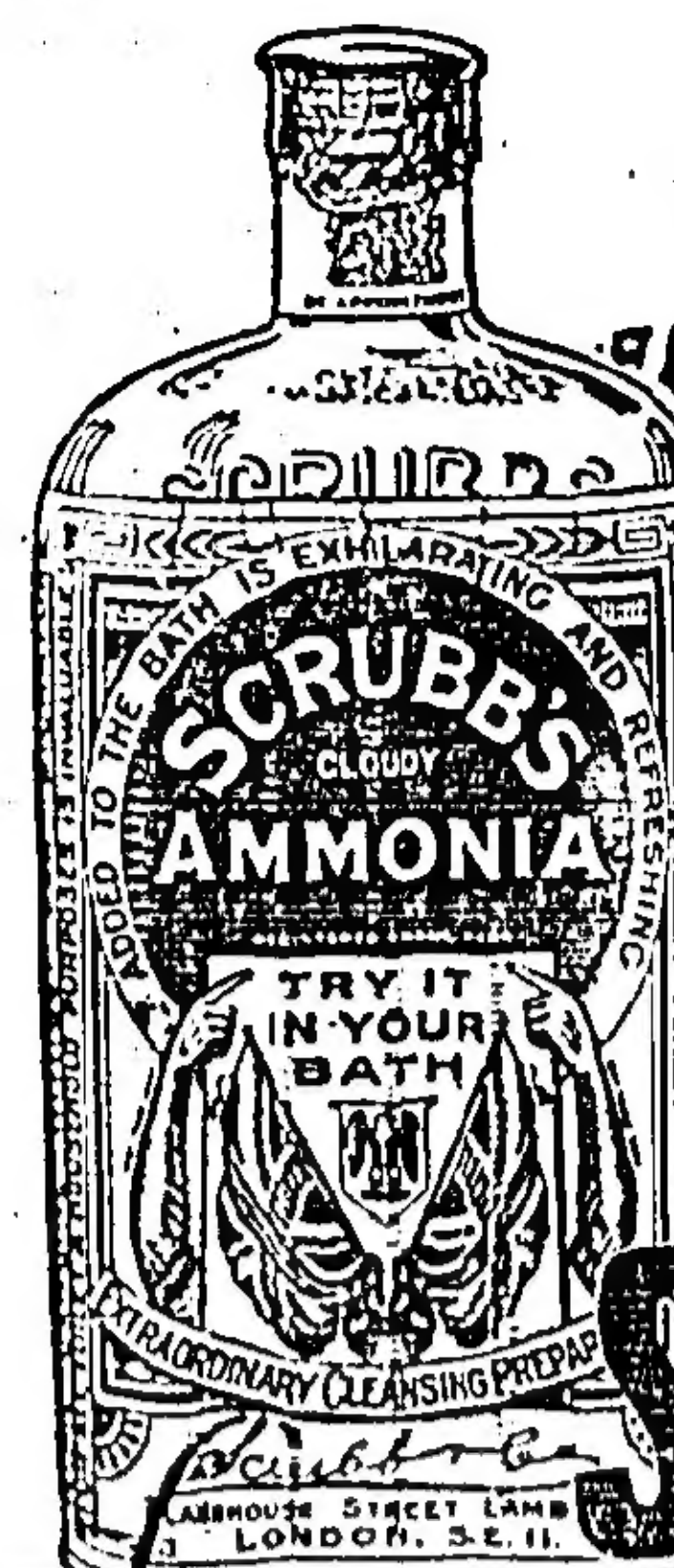
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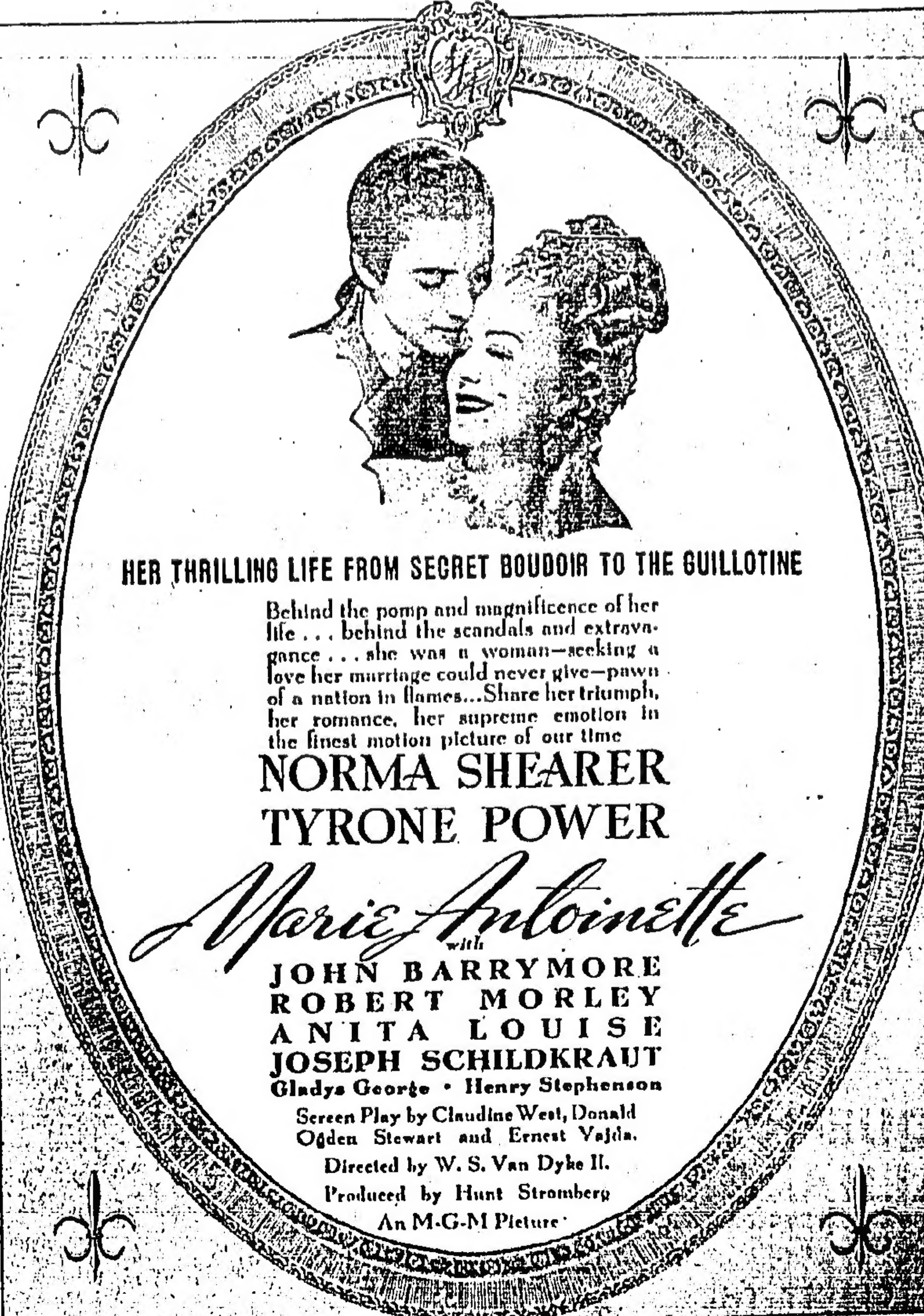
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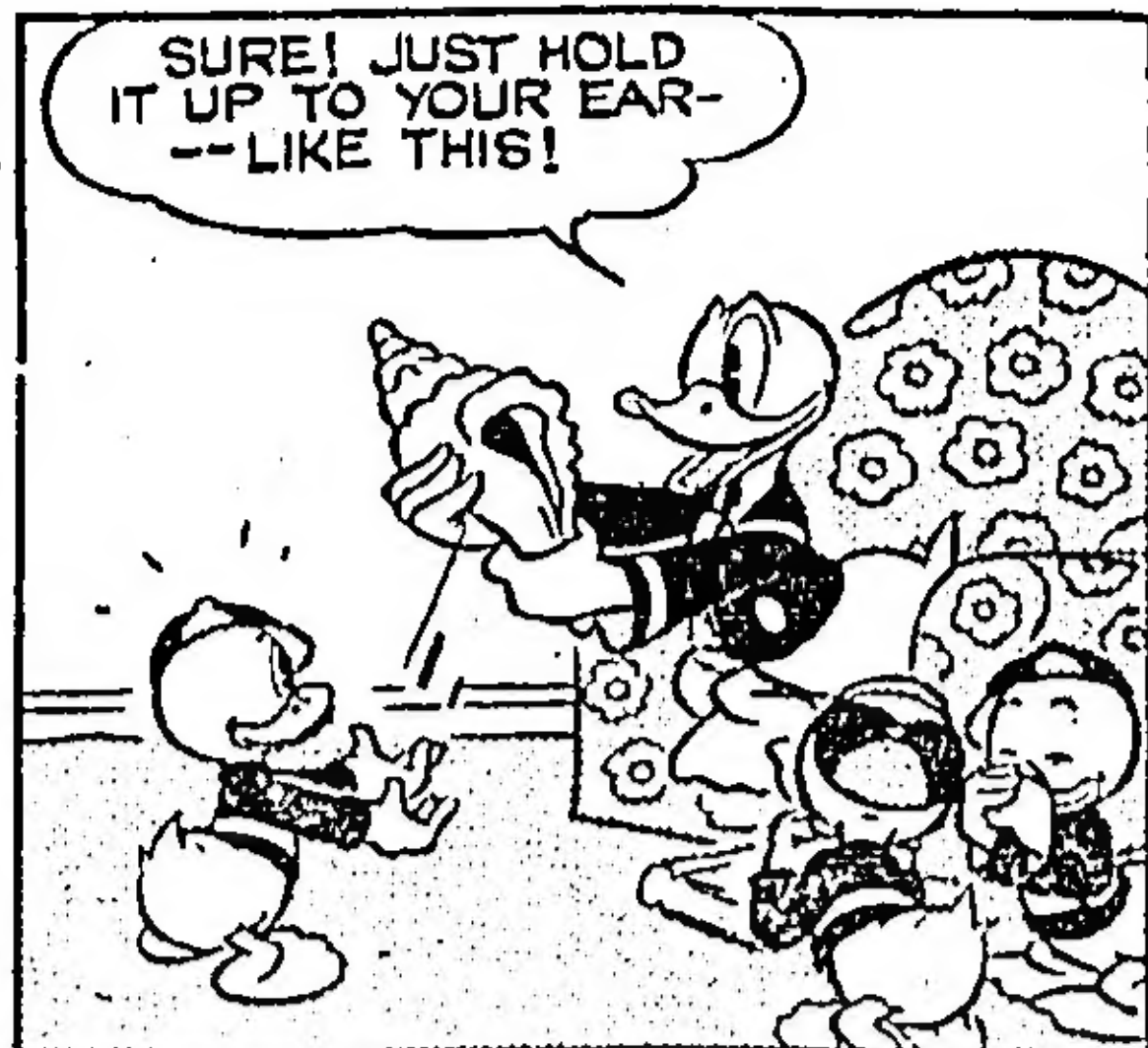


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SORDID CASE TRIED

Chinese Convicted Of Living On Earnings Of Prostitution

The case against a 21-year-old Chinese, Wong Kong, charged with living, wholly or in part, on the earnings of prostitution, was concluded before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when defendant was convicted and sentenced to four months' hard labour.

The defendant was arrested in a room at the Asia Hotel, during a raid carried out by Miss Harrop, Lady Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and a party of police officers, on January 27. He was alleged to have brought a girl named Helen Wong, 14, who was stated to have had a Chinese father and an American mother, to another room on the fourth floor of the same hotel, where he received payment of \$10 from a certain local resident, who was mentioned in Court as "Mr. X."

It was "Mr. X" who brought the facts to the knowledge of the authorities, and the evening that he engaged the girl had been planned as a means to trap those in whose custody she was. After the payment to the defendant, "Mr. X" telephoned for Miss Harrop, who was in Kowloon, and she effected the arrest of Wong and two women who were with him in the same room at the time.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, yesterday prosecuted in place of Mr. J. Whyatt, who had conducted the prosecution at the earlier hearing. The defendant was represented by Mr. J. M. D'Amador Remedios, and Mr. M. A. de Silva held a watching brief on behalf of "Mr. X."

Choi Kam-hang, manager of the Asia Hotel, said he had held the post for 10 years, and was manager of the hotel between December 20 last year, and January 27. The hotel "boys" arranged their hours of duty between themselves, and each had his own task to do. On January 27, a man named Ip Ching was on duty at the counter on the fourth floor. There were three other room-boys also on duty on the same floor. The first floor also had three room-boys.

Mr. Remedios then brought a man into the Court, and witness identified him as Ip Ching. The man said his name was Ip Kam-shing, and asked if Ip Kam-ching was the same man, witness said he had identified the wrong person. He further said he did not know the man brought into Court, though Mr. Remedios said he was employed in the saloon on the first floor.

Before the prosecution closed their case, Mr. Remedios pointed out that no evidence had been called to show what was found in defendant's possession at the time of his arrest.

Mr. Williams replied that no \$10 note was found on defendant. Mr. Remedios submitted that the Crown had failed to bring home the charge against defendant, but a witness held that a prima facie case had been established.

Defendant then gave evidence. He said he was formerly employed at the Tai Loi Sin Hotel, but was at present unemployed. On the evening of January 27, he went to the Asia Hotel to look for Ip Kam-shing with a view to finding some temporary employment in the hotel, as Chinese New Year was approaching. Defendant reached the hotel about 7 p.m. and saw Ip, who was employed as a cook, but Ip was too busy to talk to him and referred defendant to a man called Tak Kiu. Defendant looked to Tak, but could not find him on the first floor.

There he met Chan Fa-yuen (one of the women arrested in connection with the case), and she invited him into her room, No. 208, and sat down. Defendant went in, and during the time he was there, he did not answer any telephone call. Somebody knocked at the door, and defendant heard a voice asking for a Portuguese girl.

Defendant said he never left room 208, and never went to room 505 on the fourth floor to demand \$10 from "Mr. X." Defendant was in room 208 for only a short while before Miss Harrop and the police officers arrived. He denied that he said anything when the police party came. He explained that during his employment at the Tai Loi Sin Hotel, the girl in the case and the woman also lived there, and that was how he came to know them.

Defendant questioned Mr. Williams: How can you have known the girl Helen Wong? Defendant: About five or six months. And have you known the woman the same length of time?—Yes. Do you often call at the Asia Hotel?—Occasionally, when I want to see some friend. Have you seen Chan Fa-yuen at the Asia Hotel prior to that day?—No. Have you ever seen the girl at the hotel prior to that day?—No. You knew she was a prostitute?—Yes.

Do you know the other two girls found in the room?—I know one of them.

Social Items

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Yeung Shiu-hong, merchant, and Miss Wu Ling-ten, of 31 Shelley Street, Hongkong; Mr. Hau Liang-bek, cashier of the Fu Hua Trading Co. Ltd., and Miss Wong Kin-shun, of 180 Prince Edward Road; Mr. Loung Tai-sang, clerk of Messrs. Carlouls & Co., and Miss Chilly Ng, of 264 Queen's Road, C. Hongkong; Mr. Wu Wen-chow, assistant of the South Western Transport Co., Ltd., and Miss Betty Ho Tse-yim, of 4 Dragon Terrace, Hongkong.

A talk will be given by Miss S. Bancroft in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Tuesday, February 28, commencing at 8.30 p.m. Her subject will be "Missionary Work Among the Boat People of Cheung Chau Island." This talk has been arranged by the Committee of St. Andrew's Branch of the Victoria Diocesan and Missionary Association. All who are interested are cordially invited to attend.

Y'S MEN'S MEETING

The weekly meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club was held at the St. Francis Hotel yesterday, when the President, Dr. Li Shu-pui, spoke on impressions of his recent trip to Saigon.

A number of photographs taken on the trip were also shown to the members and their friends.

witness admitted that over an hour elapsed between the time defendant went into the room and his arrest. Chan Fa-yuen was also called as a witness. She said that after she invited the defendant into her room, she left to buy some medicinal tea.

Mr. Remedios pleaded that the case was merely one man's word against the other, namely, "Mr. X's" against the defendant. He contended that "Mr. X" must have made a mistake in identifying the person to whom he handed money. Mr. Remedios also drew attention to what he said were contradictory statements in the Crown's case.

If "Mr. X" had gone to the Hotel for one purpose, and one purpose alone, as he had said, it was to be expected that the money to be handed over to the receiver would be marked, but no marked note was found, nor was there any evidence of any note having been marked. He submitted that the Court had to come to the conclusion that it was a case of mistaken identity.

Mr. Williams denied that there were any contradictions in the Crown's case, and said it was quite possible defendant went upstairs during the absence of the woman from the room. He submitted that the Court must be satisfied, from the evidence of "Mr. X", that defendant was the person who went upstairs to receive the money. It was no more than a coincidence that defendant was in that room, he concluded.

His Worship adjourned the Court for a few minutes, and on returning, said that he had adjourned to consider various small points in the evidence, and having done so, had come to the conclusion that the only thing he could do was to convict.

Mr. Williams said the accused had no criminal record.

Mr. Silva then addressed the Court. He said that during the cross-examination of "Mr. X" certain suggestions had been made, and reference also made regarding his Eurasian parentage. It had been suggested to "Mr. X" that the girl was a relative of his, and therefore he had an ulterior motive to bring the case to light. No evidence had been adduced to support such allegations. Furthermore, it had been suggested that "Mr. X" interested himself in the case because he wanted the girl for himself. Such a suggestion was more outrageous than the first, remarked Mr. Silva.

"I think these questions can be classed as improper and vexatious," he added, "and the allegations behind these questions should be withdrawn unreservedly."

Mr. Remedios: I have had instructions to defend on these lines, and I cannot withdraw them. I am sorry.

Mr. Silva: My friend's refusal to withdraw his suggestions is not supported by the evidence. I think they are most improper suggestions.

His Worship said he agreed with Mr. Silva, and remarked that there was no foundation for the allegations at all.

Hearing of the charges against the two women, Wong Che-mui, and Chan Fa-yuen, was adjourned to March 13 at 2.30 p.m. They are charged with exercising control over prostitutes. Bail of \$500 each was allowed.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Feb. 24, 1889.
At the opening of Parliament the Queen's speech referred to the warlike preparations of other European states, which necessitated an increase in our precautionary measures for the safety of our shores and commerce. While acknowledging that our relations with other Powers were friendly, it was not to be assumed that these feelings were unchangeable.

25 YEARS AGO

Feb. 23, 1914.
"Reuter's" Berlin correspondent says in the debate on the Navy Estimates, Admiral von Tirpitz said the number of ships which, according to the Navy law, should be serving in foreign waters and not yet been reached. It would be their aim in the next few years to reach that number. He declared that stronger naval representation abroad was not only a political and economic necessity, but also a military necessity. He was firmly convinced that the whole of the German people realized the political necessity of giving effect to the Navy law.

Herr Baumbach, leader of the National Liberals, said that though Anglo-German relations had improved, an alliance must remain "a beautiful dream." They would not allow the building programme to be disturbed.

"Reuter's" Washington correspondent says Governor Guthrie, who was Engineer-in-Chief on the Panama Canal, predicts that merchant shipping will be able to pass through the Panama Canal by the 1st July.

10 YEARS AGO

Feb. 21, 1929.
The German Consul at Constantinople has forwarded to the German Foreign Office, Trotsky's request for permission to enter Germany.

5 YEARS AGO

Feb. 24, 1934.
The future of silver was expected with the air full of rumours of impending action by the United States to force an increase in price, occupied a prominent place in the speech of Mr. E. E. Peary, who presided at the annual meeting this morning of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Mr. Pearce revealed that the Bank's attitude has undergone no change, still holding the view that governmental interference aiming at bringing about an artificial rise will almost certainly do more harm than good. The London Silver Agreement was condemned as setting a precedent of attempting to control the supply of silver, the chairman declaring that the step has been an encouragement to speculation.

Fears were also expressed that China's recovery might be delayed longer than in the rest of the world, and it was also suggested that the American currency experiments might act as a brake on general world prosperity.

A warning against too high expectations in the coming Budget was uttered by the Chancellor Chamberlain, in the course of a speech at Plymouth tonight.

Then again, the position of our defence forces must be considered. The reductions which have been effected in expenditure on the army, navy and air force by the postponement of building and the development of stores could not be continued indefinitely.

Referring to the outcry for a larger air force, Mr. Neville Chamberlain remarked that the aeroplane was no substitute for the cruiser.

His speech is generally interpreted as a warning of bigger defence appropriations in the coming Budget.

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1.03 Dance Music played by the BBC Dance Orchestra.
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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.
1.40 B.B.C. Recording—"West From Bristol".
A programme devised and produced by Francis Dillon.
2.15 Close down.
6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.
(a) Little Heaven of the Seven Seas; (b) It's De Lovely; (c) You're as pretty as a picture; (d) Bob White.
6.14 Record: Bubbling Over (Gibbons); Moonbeams Dance (Gibbons)... Piano Solo by Carroll Gibbons.
6.21 (a) Music for Sweethearts; (b) Igonna lock my heart; (c) Sleepy time Gal; (d) Jingle Bells.
6.35 Records: Three Little Words (from "Check and Double Check")... Len Fills (Barilo); with Piano; The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise (Seitz)... Len Fills (Hawalian Guitar) with Piano; Two Tired Eyes (film "Cock O' the North")... Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.
6.45 London Relay—A Message to the Scouts of the Empire.
By The Lord Somers, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C., Deputy Chief Scout of the British Empire.
7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 Concert Waltzes.
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7.15 London Relay—The Club of Queer Trades.
By G. K. Chesterton. Episode 2: The Painful Fall of a Great Reputation; Adapted for broadcasting by Douglas Cleverdon; The Characters: Basil Grant; Gilbert Swinburne; Sir Walter Chalmers; Wimpey; Lord Beaumont; John Drummond; Muriel Beaumont; a Duchess; Taximen; a Butler; Production by Michael Goodwin.
7.40 London Relay—A Recital of Irish Songs by Denis Cox (Baritone). Whoe'er she be (arr. Nino Batholomew); Rallying Song (arr. Gallogher); The Bard of Armagh (arr. Lancelotti); Handy Boy-wow (arr. Nino Batholomew); The Bold, Unbiddable Child (Stanford).
7.55 Sir Hamilton Harty—An Irish Symphony—Scherzo.
Sir Hamilton Harty conducting The Halle Orchestra.
8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Bize!—The Fair Maid Of Perth—Suite.
Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orch.
8.23 Studio—Recital by Helen Lockhart (Contralto) with E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.
1. Down here (Brahe); (b) My dearest heart (Sullivan); (c) Two Eyes of Grey (McGehee)... Helen Lockhart (Contralto) with Piano accompaniment by E. O'Neill Shaw; 2. (a) Nocturne (Giletti); (b) Prelude (Giletti)... E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano; 3. (a) The Fairy Pipers

Kuling

Safety Zone For Foreigners

Shanghai, Feb. 23.

A Japanese spokesman said to-day that foreigners who are remaining at Kuling will have arranged for them, through the British and American and Japanese authorities a safety zone in the western corner of the southern part of Kuling.

However, the spokesman said that the Japanese Army emphasized that should Chinese soldiers be seen in the vicinity of the zone, the Japanese Air Force will be forced to attack. He also reiterated that the Japanese authorities will not consider themselves responsible for any life or property of third party nationals because of the numerous warnings which have been served on Kuling residents who have been asked four times to clear out from Kuling since last November. He said that it is understood that the British and American authorities have reached an agreement with the Chinese that Chinese soldiers will keep clear of the safety zone—United Press.

Provisions Adequate
Shanghai, Feb. 23.

According to reliable private information, the 49 foreigners, including 37 British and two Germans still remaining at Kuling are resolved to stay on. Their rice and grain provisions are reported to be sufficient to last six months, but the supply of meat and vegetables is doubtful.

In consequence of an agreement between the British and American authorities and the Japanese, the hotel and American school will serve as safety places. The Japanese have been supplied with maps showing foreign property. The Japanese, however, insist that they are unable to guarantee the safety of property and the lives of foreigners not staying at designated safety places, in view of the alleged use of foreign property by Chinese soldiers for camouflaging purposes.—Trans-Ocean.

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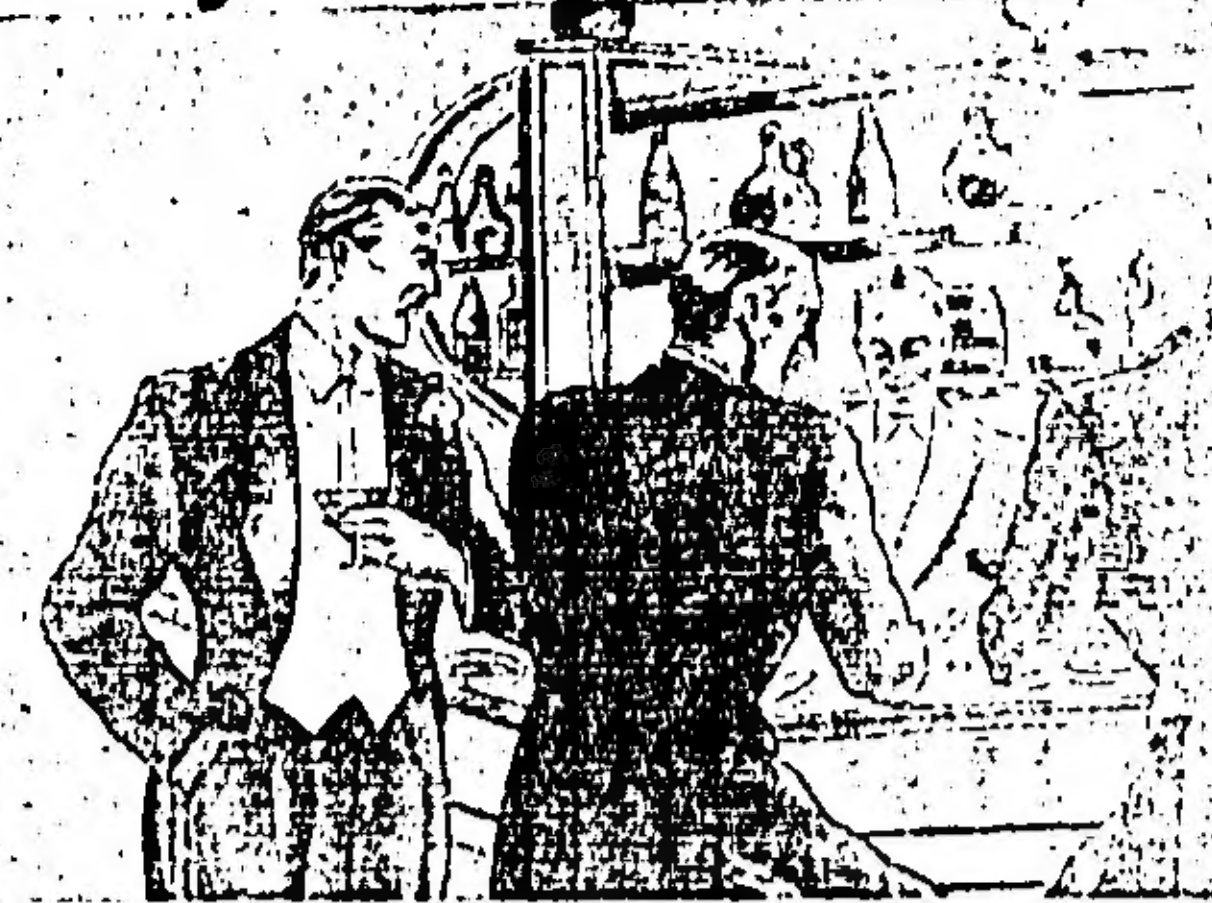
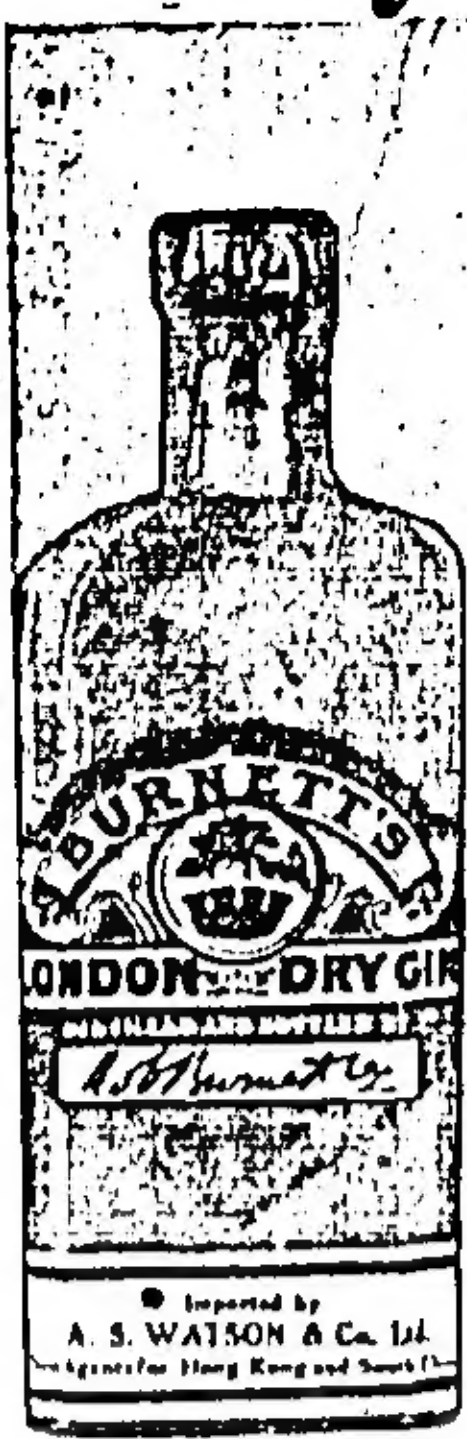
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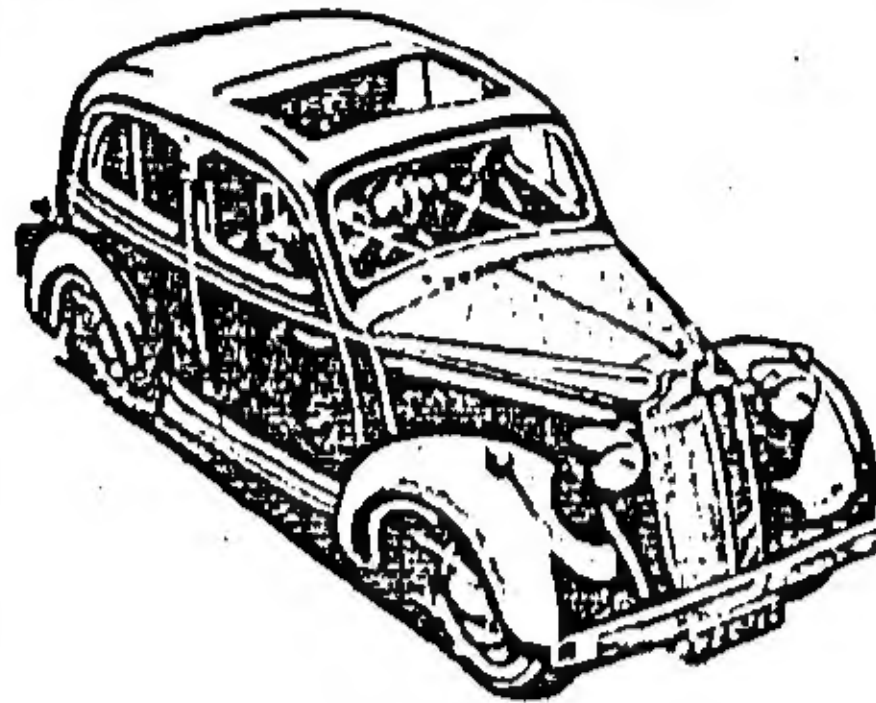
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Telling Japan

HASTILY, Japan has now apologized for the violation of Hongkong territory, has promised indemnification for the dead and wounded.

What happened in Tokyo yesterday to bring forth this quick manifestation of penitence after the almost contemptuous way the affair was treated on Tuesday and Wednesday?

We know that the Japanese War Office on Wednesday afternoon issued an entirely untruthful version of the incident, in which it claimed that only one plane had violated British territory and that only one bomb had been dropped. The communiqué, again untruthfully, claimed that an apology had also been made to His Excellency the Governor in Hongkong.

Yesterday's apology comes from the Japanese Foreign office with a celerity that has been equaled only by the apology for the bombing and sinking of the U.S.S. Panay. It occurred after the Japanese Foreign Minister had received a visit from the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie.

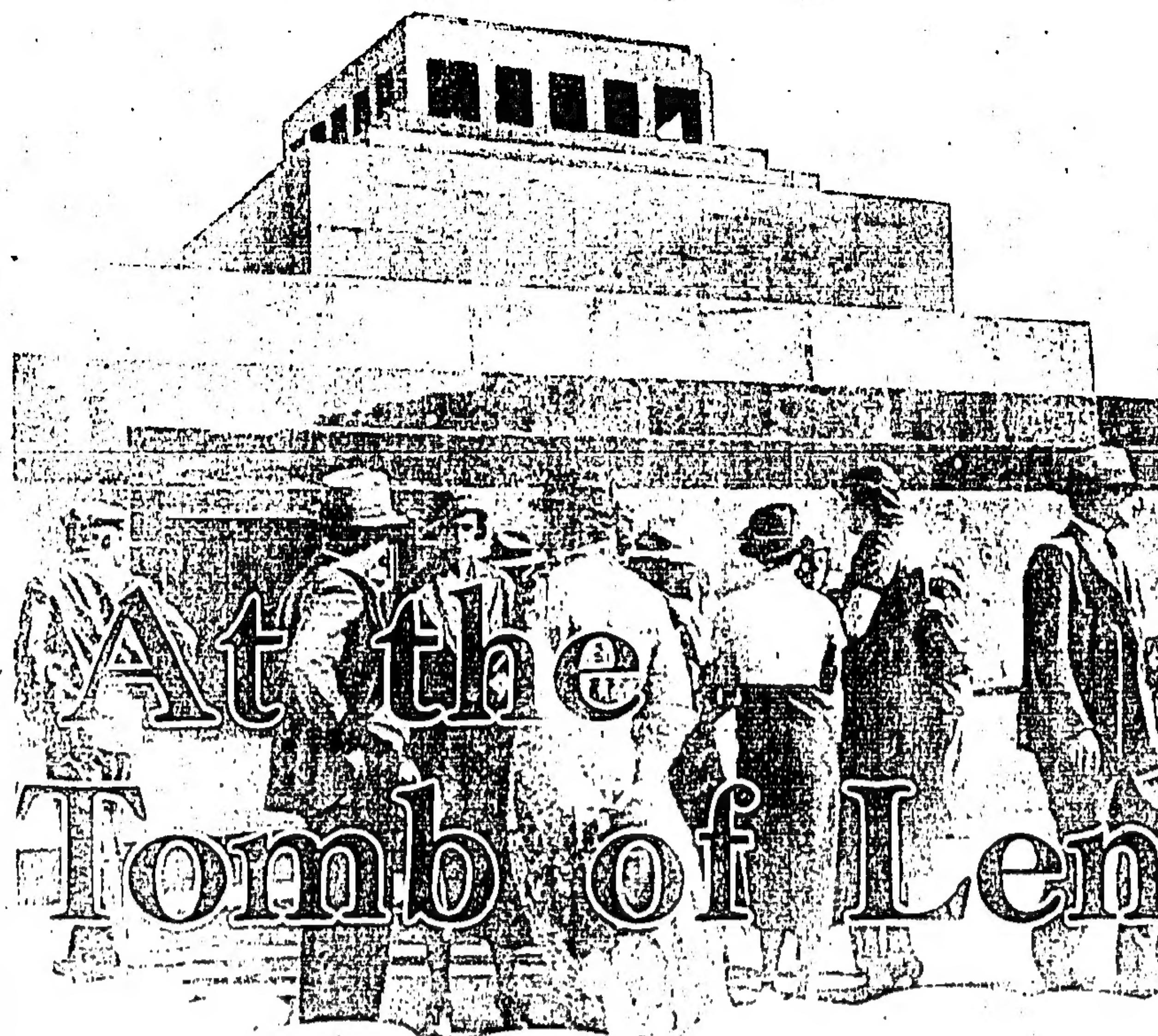
It emphasises the world that exists between Japan's civil administration and its armed force. No one believes that the Japanese Government wants these perpetual demands for apologies that have brought upon it the contempt of the civilized world. But the Japanese Government has far less control over its Army and Navy than has the Shanghai Municipal Council over its terrorists. It must go on apologising as its irresponsible militarists go on creating incidents, with the fear ever present that one day in the not-so-distant future there will come an incident that will not be answerable by an apology.

Despite the alacrity with which Japan has apologized in the present instance, it is possible that the incident is far from closed. Great Britain, it is believed in London, is preparing to follow its formal protest with the despatch of the bluntest Note she has addressed to Japan since the conflict in China started nearly two years ago.

It will probably say in diplomatic language that Great Britain will not stand by if the irresponsible militarists who really control Japan's policy continue to deliberately encroach further and further on our rights and violate our privileges.

Britain, this time, may mean business.

Insofar as Hongkong is concerned, we would like to see the Japanese publicly warned, as the Spanish insurgents were warned by France, that any future acts of violence in our territory will be met with violence. On the occasion of the first violation of Hongkong territory this warning was, we understand, conveyed to the Japanese commanders verbally. That, apparently, was insufficient.



FIFTEEN years ago,
Lenin died. To his
Tomb, in the Red Square

of Moscow, pilgrims come from all over the Soviet Union, and from all the ends of the earth. In homely words, literally true, they "come to see Lenin."

The Tomb is fashioned of great slabs of the most beautiful marble, from the Urals and the Ukraine, all red, though with rich variety of shade and grain. The roof is flat and all the outer surfaces are smooth, free of all ornamental fuss.

Two young soldiers of the Red Army stand on guard at the entrance, and two more in the chamber within, a little below the level of the ground, where Lenin's body lies embalmed, under a high glass case, lit by a mellow golden light diffused from above.

Behind this perfectly proportioned Mausoleum rises the high wall of the Kremlin, over which flies the Red Flag, floodlit at night. It is a magnificently theatrical scene.

I saw Lenin in August, 1932. I gazed into the peaceful face, tired but content, and marvelled at the little shapely hands, folded on a cloth of purple and black.

A few days later I also heard Lenin. His voice was high-pitched and insistent, speaking on a gramophone record in the flat of Sokolnikov, the Ambassador whom Moscow sent to London in response to Arthur Henderson's invitation in 1929, and whom Moscow sentenced, in 1937, to ten years' imprisonment as a member of the so-called "anti-Soviet Trotskyite centre."

LENIN was a very great man. In critical days his personal intervention changed the course of history. But for him there would have been no Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

It, in 1917, his opponents in Russia had prevailed, a general break-up of that vast country would probably have followed, under weak and indecisive Liberal Governments, drifting into a welter of reactionary chaos.

Lenin's greatness lay, not in his theoretical arguments, but in his practical genius as a man of action. He was a first-class politician, a superb tactician, a constructive Socialist of immense courage and imaginative insight. His books are dull, but his acts were thrilling.

When he died, he had laid the foundations of the first large-scale Socialist Commonwealth in the history of mankind. He bequeathed to the Russian people an unprecedented opportunity to build, on these foundations, a happy, free, prosperous, classless society of equals, and, by the force of their example and the visible success of their experiment, to convert the rest of the world to Socialism.

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On the other hand, the unofficial foreign policy of the Comintern, for which the Soviet Government, not quite convincingly, denies responsibility, has been consistently stupid and vexatious.

Guided by doctrinaire ignorance of political conditions abroad, it has multiplied ill-judged manoeuvres and fomented damaging divisions within the Socialist and Trade Union movements in many countries. It did much to help the triumph of Mussolini in Italy and of Hitler in Germany.

It has furnished a convenient pretext for the creation of the so-

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by HUGH DALTON, M.P.

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THE audacious conception of the series of Five Year Plans, the planning away of unemployment, the liberation of the Soviet economy from the booms and slumps of the capitalist outer world, and of Soviet foreign trade from dependence on capitalist credits, all these are striking contributions to practical Socialist economics.

But, on the other hand, there are dark shadows in the picture. In agriculture, culture and transport, in particular, there is evidence of grave and persistent muddle, often mis-called "collectivism."

Moreover, in the last few years, there has been increasing difficulty in obtaining accurate, first-hand information.

There has been a surprising and unexpected decrease in facilities for visiting the Soviet Union. In London, Soviet visas were scarcely to be had last year. Nor are Soviet citizens yet permitted to travel freely abroad.

The new democratic constitution exists only on paper, and the pressure of the Dictatorship on the individual seems not to be relaxed. The Soviet emblems to-day are not only a hammer and a sickle, but a gigantic question mark. What is really going on inside that closed community? And what is the direction of movement?

YET three dominant impressions remain. Planned Socialism, even though the planners have sometimes miscalculated, and even though they have to work in very difficult conditions, has great accomplishments to its credit.

The Soviet Dictatorship, whatever may be said in criticism of it, holds more possibility of peaceful change into more democratic forms than do other contemporary Dictatorships.

And, finally, the Soviet Union, in sharp distinction from these other Dictatorships, is a force for peace in international relations. It plots no wars of aggression against its neighbours. It is a defensive, not an offensive, force.

For this reason, above all, it has been one of the most criminal failures of British foreign policy since 1931 not to co-operate more closely with this most peaceful Great Power. It is not yet quite too late—though the sands are fast running out—to repair this folly.

Finance Juggler No. 1

HJALMAR HORACE GRELEY SCHACHT has been Germany's nearest financial acrobat. He made his name in the 1923 collapse of the mark when it needed thousands of millions of marks to buy a single loaf of bread.

Schacht was made president of the Reichsbank, founded a new currency and announced that people would be given one new mark in exchange for every 1,000,000,000,000 old ones.

In those days he was a democrat, a man of the Left. His first job had been tutoring the sons of a Jewish banker. From that he had risen slowly to be partner in the firm of

Jacob Goldschmidt, the well-known Jewish banker. But as years went by, Schacht changed. As president of the Reichsbank he dropped his Liberal ideas and enjoyed picturing himself as the mouthpiece of big finance.

In 1929 he resigned from the Reichsbank because The Hague conference decided to make Germany go on paying reparations. He retired to his country estate at Guehden, near Berlin, "to sit still and raise pigs." He became fiercely anti-Socialist. The Nazis began to cast their eyes on him.

When they came to power in January, 1933, they called him back to his old job at the Reichsbank. They made him Minister of Eco-

nomics, too. He became Germany's economic dictator.

So the ex-democrat trimmed himself to suit the Nazis. He had been a keen freemason, but he resigned his membership when the Nazis started putting freemasons in concentration camps.

It has been Schacht's wizardry that has stopped Germany going bankrupt—as any "orthodox" country would have done years ago if it had been conducting itself as Nazi Germany has done.

Schacht invented the system of prospering on debts. He likes to owe everybody something. Then he can threaten them—"We shan't pay you back unless..."

In that way many of the small countries of Europe have taken their orders from him.

He has clamped on Germany a rigid financial control. There is no free buying and selling of marks, as there is of pounds or francs. So Schacht has been able to give Germany the advantage of being both on and off the gold standard.

But he has ridden uncleanly. He has never got on with the Nazi extremists. Several times he appealed for clemency towards the Jews. He found world horror at the pogroms prevented people from buying German goods.

Now Schacht, 62 years old, with his tall, starched collar, his snub nose, his parting in the middle of his hair, his tooth-brush moustache, goes altogether.

Perhaps there is now a little irony about the middle names his peasant parents gave him. Horace Greley was the American editor who originated the slogan, "Go West, Young Man!"

Hor Dr. Funk, 40 years old, an ex-journalist, stout and swarthy, Goering's "Yes-man," steps eagerly into Dr. Schacht's shoes. W.S.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Out of hairpins again—how in thunder do you expect me to clean my pipe?"

Church Service Banned

A PROPOSED Holy Communion service for Anglicans and Nonconformists, to be conducted by a woman minister, has been cancelled.

The minister was to have been the Rev. Hilda Peppman, who has had charge of a Congregational Church at Newhaven.

The service was planned to take place at Ridley Hall, Cambridge, during the conference of the Society for the Ministry of Women—an inter-denominational body.

"NOT AUTHORISED" Ridley Hall is a Church of England theological college for the instruction of ordinands; the chapel is licensed by the Bishop of Ely, but not consecrated.

The Bishop of Ely said "The proposed service was not authorised by me, and I should not be able to authorise it. A service to be attended by Anglicans and Free Church people would be irregular from the point of view of the Church of England."

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ANNUAL RACING CARNIVAL TO OPEN TO-MORROW

FIELDS LIKELY TO BE BIGGER: MORE GRIFFINS TO TAKE PART

(By "Captain Foster")

To-morrow at 11 a.m. sharp the Hongkong Jockey Club will ring the first saddling bell announcing the opening of their 1939 racing season. The Annual Carnival will be continued on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, terminating next Saturday. The meet has been awaited by the regular followers of the turf with the greatest enthusiasm, owing to the fact that the number of this season's griffins, both Australian and Chinese, is higher than that of last year and big fields will be expected every day.

There is no doubt that all means of access to the racecourse will be heavily taxed and it can be safely said that we shall see one of the biggest crowds ever assembled at Happy Valley on Monday on account of the popularity manifested in the special dollar cash sweep on the Hongkong Derby.

There are the usual 12 events on the first four days of racing, but only nine races will be contested on the fifth day. Those who are not fortunate enough to attend the meeting before lunch, are reminded that the sixth race on the first four days of racing is timed to run off at 3.00 p.m. after the fifth interval.

GREATER STAKE MONEY

A most interesting feature of the programme is the generous increase in the stake money all round and the running of the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes in three divisions (as against two of last Spring) is an innovation owing to the increase of subscribers for China ponies.

These sub-griffins' races are very popular and the best gambling events among the punters, for the turning up of an unknown means a big pay-out. It is obvious that the condition of an animal plays an important part, but the worst period to train is undoubtedly during the winter months and it will be recalled that this year's batch of China ponies was delivered to their respective owners only a few days before Christmas. In the circumstances all the rubs have no more than two months' preparation for the five days of racing and it would be interesting to know how many of them could maintain their form throughout the meeting. Credit must, of course, be given to all the Chinese and Russian trainers, who have brought up their chargers to a state of racing condition, but some barods (no matter what kind of training) will never come up to concert pitch as we all know that the trainers cannot manufacture speed.

SPLENDID GALLOPS BY CHINA PONIES

Last Saturday there were fireworks by the China steeds, especially by Magog, owned by Mrs. B. Hall, and Millicay, belonging to John Peel.

GLEANINGS FROM THE RACE TRACK

For the time being the Rooty-Hill Derby appears to be an open event, but I still fancy Ruby Star and Chiltern, but we will get a better line to-morrow after the running of the Sydney Maiden Stakes. I will not say that I was deeply impressed with the track performance of Laffat that canter over the Derby course in 3.22 last Saturday, but the mare seemed to love the jaunt. I must, however, join in the chorus that the prospect of Laffat that is not to be laughed at, for the mare has a sensitive mouth and she is a nice mover.

Punters will be glad to learn that we have a good supply of first class jockeys, Messrs. F. Marshall, R. B. Moller and J. Pote-Hunt being the latest arrivals from the north. (Brother of Mr. Y. K. Wouh) Messrs. P. L. Chiu and T. Y. Wouh are making their debut and both of them are good riders.

I sincerely trust that readers will appreciate the fact that it is not an easy job to give tips as practically all the ponies have two or more engagements per day of the Annual Race Meeting and therefore, the task of ascertaining where they are going to start has always been a nasty subject for racing writers. The declaration of running a pony in a race for which it has been entered is made at least 45 minutes before the time stated in the programme, and in the circumstance there is no other recourse left than to employ horse-sense to the best of one's knowledge.

The Grand Stand and all the private boxes have had a good "clean up" and there is as usual a lovely display of reasonable and beautiful flowers on the lawns. The arrangements, especially in front of the

Doubts Still Exist Over Rose Elect

But "Capt. Foster" Thinks She Will Win The Derby

There is still a division in the Happy Valley camp over Rose Elect's prospect of capturing the Blue Ribband, one opinion of the touts being of the opinion that the mare cannot last the full distance. The Hongkong Derby, which ranks as the most exclusive test and strain over 1½ miles, will be celebrating its 67th running on February 27 and the first prize of the special dollar cash sweep, which has reached a colossal sum of \$50,000, will be worth over \$200,000 to the lucky drawer of the first pony. This, in my opinion, will be either Hyndford Bridge, Navylight or Rose Elect. The order named by the writer is not to be understood that they will cross the winning post in that position, but they have only been arranged alphabetically.

I may be accused of trying to elevate Rose Elect as high as the Victoria Peak, but I made up my mind long ago and I cannot, although my eyes are not like those of Argus, see anything to beat Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate. Hyndford Bridge and Navylight will probably follow in the rear. If Mr. Clie of the Weather will give us a little bit of the blue sky, the Hongkong Derby will be run in record time and I am afraid that the champion Silky will meet his Waterloo in the winner of this year's big classic event.

The former, with Mr. Needs up, and the latter, ridden by a small Russian boy from Mr. Kenner's stable, were shown over the champion course and they took just a fifth of a second inside two minutes 50 seconds to complete the circle, which was, without any question of doubt, a grand performance.

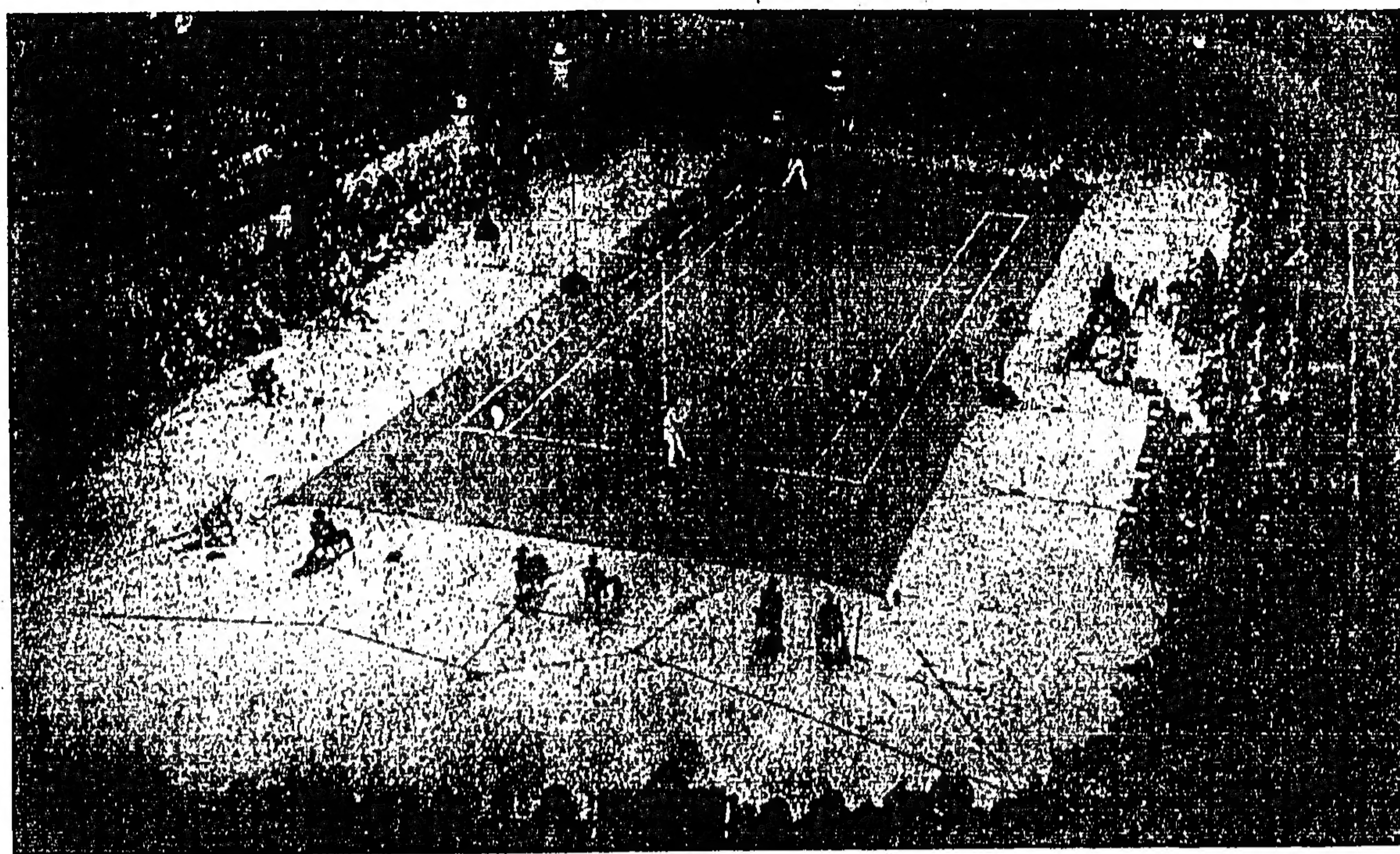
Hardly had the early birds got over this astounding gallop than Orange Boven, piloted by Mr. Encarnacion, and Sports Venture, steered by Mr. Poy, entertained the rail crowd with a fast ouling over a mile in 2.15 flat, romping home in 51½ seconds for the last quarter. Musketeer (the property of Chiu brothers), who has been considered after the draw as the best fower of the flock, has to be in a fine fettle to stem off the claim of these four candidates for first place in the Valley Stakes, which by the way is celebrating its 63rd birthday to-morrow.

I have a short memory, but I believe Mrs. B. Hall, who owns Gog and Magog, is making her debut as an owner and it is to be hoped that she will be blessed with beginner's luck which is very essential in racing. Her husband, Mr. F. C. Hall, who has now an interest in the John Peel stable, had very good luck when he was racing on joint account with Sir William Shenton under the style of "Hall and Shenton" and it may be of interest to reveal that they were the only stable to annex the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes (with The Quail) and the Valley Stakes (with The Grouse) in the same year. This was in 1931 and both China ponies were piloted by Mr. Leo Frost.

Following old custom the Hongkong Jockey Club will start the ball rolling this evening at the Club House, Happy Valley, when three Soling Lotteries will be conducted on the Valley Stakes, the Hongkong Derby and the Rooty-Hill Derby. The cost of a chance is \$5. It is open to members, their wives and friends, and all non-members must be introduced by a member and their names entered in the Visitors' Book. The drawing starts at 6 p.m. sharp and I am certain that there

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Referee Stops Slaughter In Title Fight



Scene in Boston Garden where Don Budge, recently turned professional, scored his second straight-net victory over Ellsworth Vines by 6-3, 8-6, 6-4. A crowd of 6,980 watched the exhibition. On the previous evening, in New York, Budge had beaten Vines by 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

ERIC BOON RETAINS HIS CROWN

Plucky Display By Danahar In Thrilling Bout

London, Feb. 23.

At Harringay Arena to-night, 13,000 boxing enthusiasts saw Eric Boon retain the British lightweight title by beating Arthur Danahar in one of the most thrilling fights seen in Great Britain.

The referee stopped the bout in the fourteenth round. The fight was to be over 15 rounds.

Both fought tooth and nail after the eighth round, which was the crux of the whole fight. Until then, Danahar, boxing coolly and calmly in the old time British upright position, scored innumerable lefts and rights and was leading on points. Then suddenly Boon landed a hard right to the jaw, flooring Danahar for a count of nine.

The challenger rose but a right and a left floored him again for a count of nine. Although groggy, he just weathered the round.

AMAZING PUNCH

Then the fun began; and when the referee stopped the fight, Danahar had given an amazing example of his indomitable courage. He had been down seven times for counts of nine and one of three, while Boon himself had also been down, though he had partially slipped, for a count in the thirteenth round.

Even when the referee stopped the fight, Danahar had boxed so courageously and cleverly, although he was tottering round the ring and was almost out on his feet, that he was practically level on points with the champion.

After a cautious start, Danahar was boxing beautifully and had piled up points by winning four of the first seven rounds.

From the eighth round onwards, it was a slugging match. Boon tried to take advantage of Danahar's grogginess, but the latter fought back splendidly.

Boon's rights, however, were a telling factor and in the twelfth round he floored his opponent for counts of nine, repeating the performance in the thirteenth.

After a hard right had floored Danahar, the referee stopped the fight.

BOON PLAYED CARDS!

Boon scaled 9 st. 8½ lbs. and Danahar 9 st. 8½ lbs.

The challenger rose at 7.30 a.m. and went for a stroll on Brighton Beach. Boon played cards past midnight and slept until almost midday. Every available seat had been sold, and thousands, who made last-minute applications for expensive ring-side seats, were refused.

Critics were of the opinion that the fight would finish by a knock-out before the ninth round. The majority of them favoured Boon's punch to beat Danahar's polish, but the betting was even.

Danahar, who measures 5 ft. 8½ ins., had a four and a half inches height advantage, and also five inches in reach, which is 71 ins. Otherwise, the two youngsters were very evenly matched.

The promoter, Mr. Syd Hulls, today agreed to the fight being broadcast in view of the country-wide interest, though he was dissatisfied with the payment.

The fight began at 9.30 p.m. GMT. —Reuter.

BRITISH TENNIS IN DOLDRUMS

London, Jan. 24.

I wish to goodness I could think that that autocratic body, the Lawn Tennis Association, was trying to build up some young players for our next Davis Cup team.

I made a number of inquiries last week, and I found that it is standing perfectly still, doing absolutely nothing, save waiting for a few more tennis to drop from the skies. It is not true to say that we haven't got the players. In Eric Filby, M. D. Deloof, and Bob Nicoll we have three players who, with systematic training, could be made into a team able to hold its own with any country.

But the L.T.A. does not realise this, and merely sits still, twiddling its thumbs and waiting.

Soon it will feel a fairly penetrating draught, for to hold and retain the Davis Cup means, roughly, the small matter of £15,000 in hard cash to the association. The winner of 1938, even the L.T.A. can afford to go without a £15,000 revenue for long, which is also a reason why an open championship at Wimbledon is

"CAPTAIN FOSTER" GOES OVER PROSPECTS IN EACH RACE

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The following are the teams specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

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Optional Selections

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West Bromwich
Southend
New Brighton

The probable starters and jockeys are as follows:

PONY

Avalon
Celtic Star
Chatterbox
Heddon
Kut Cheung
Markman
Millicay
Musketeer
National Honour
Orange Boven
Pavane
Sea Captain
Sports Venture
The Grey Tiger
This Time
Tiny Tim
Wilber

JOCKEY

P. P. Botelho
S. W. Pan
B. L. Tao
H. Y. Hearn
T. Y. Wouh
Tang Man-wa
V. V. Needs
S. C. Liang
H. P. Chanson
C. Encarnacion
P. Y. Wei
B. Proulx
F. Marshall
H. C. Pih
J. Pote-Hunt
T. L. Wong
D. Black

FOR the last few years the winners of the Valley Stakes did not eventually turn out to be the champion sub-griffins and there are a few pointers in the above list which I would like to see starting over a mile and upwards. However it is rumoured that Chatterbox had done a "dark" gallop about a fortnight ago and it has been whispered to me that the chestnut gelding covered a mile in 2.13½ with a poor finish of 34 seconds for the last quarter. Last Wednesday the same pony went over the Valley Stakes distance in 1.39½, romping home in grand style and the Manetta stable has a good candidate for the classic. Kut Cheung and Wilber are trained by the same Russian boy, the latter having more speed for a mile and under and Wilber is dangerous. Without prejudice, Markman does not suit the riding of Mr. Tang Man-wa and should there be a change in the jockey, a small amount each way is worth the investment. In my mind Musketeer is only a sprinter and he has to be at his best to capture the Valley Stakes.

ORANGE BOVEN (Mr. Encarnacion up) belonging to the stable Hollandia is a better representative than what they had last Spring in Flet Hein but I am inclined to believe that the pony is a distance runner. John Peel's Millicay has come on nicely and his performance over the champion course on the eve of the Chinese New Year in a 2.49½

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THERE will not be much of a swing in the opening chorus in the Footchow Cup, which is the first event on the card, confined to China ponies over the Derby course; and judging the list of entries, I do not expect to see a field of more than three runners. At any rate it will be an easy outing for Silky to pick up the first prize stake money of \$750 to pay for his upkeep. Mr. Eric Moller's candidate has not been nominated for any other event on the first day and therefore his pony is a sure starter. King's Warden and Moonlight View should fill the minor positions.

The first public appearance of Derby griffins among the China ponies will be seen in the Maiden Stakes and it is going to be a fine sprint over six furlongs. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose Elect has not been nominated for any other event but this on the first day and his candidate has no opposition. The mare is certainly a tier and should the going be hard, I am sure King's Warden's record time of 1.24½ will be lowered. A good field is assured and we should see a good fight between Avon, Eve of Hurvest, Jennifer, Lilliber and Peaceful View for second and third places. All these are speedy merchants and personally I like Avon and Peaceful View.

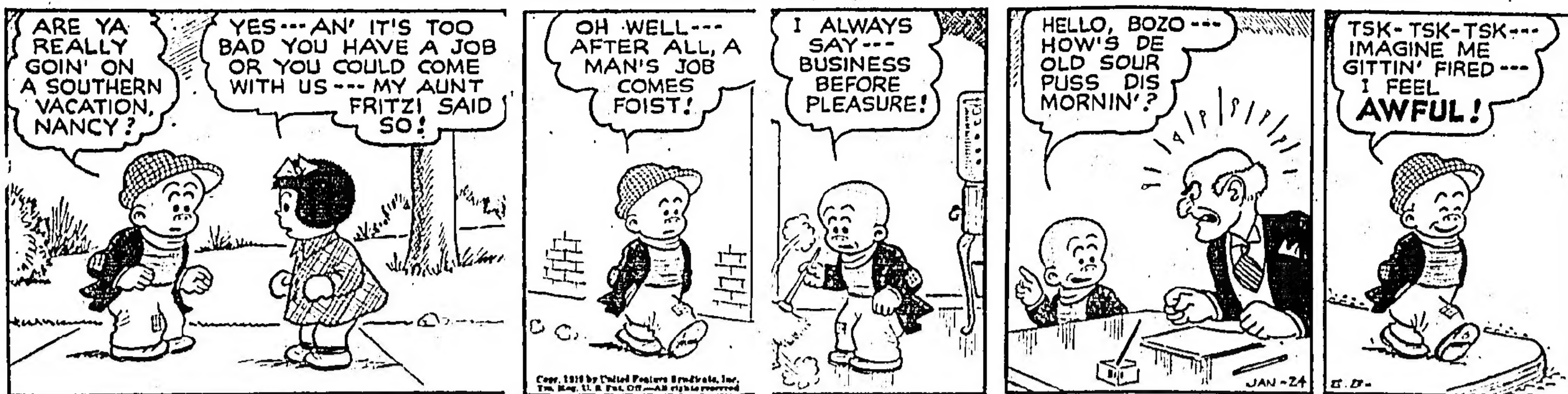
A BATCH of the Australian subscription griffins of this season will appear for the first time in the Sydney Maiden Stakes (First Section) and one run over six furlongs. A lot depends upon the start and punters are advised not to overlook the position of the draw. Among the list of nominations drawn by the Stewards it looks to me that the result of this contest will have a bearing in the Rooty-Hill Derby, for Chiltern, Cockleford, Devonian and Ruby Star and Serenade are all in this section. However, Ruby Star is my fancy with Mrs. Eu Tong-sen's Chiltern and Lady Northcote's Devonian next.

THE China Stakes, which is a scramble for old China ponies from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards), has attracted 13 entries, but it is amusing to see the inclusion of Fei Ying (a "D" class pony). What chance has he against such stalwarts as Bear Claw, Cameronian, Confusion Bay, Desert Chief etc? However, of Eu's stable, Cameronian is undoubtedly a better runner than Desert Chief over short distance and he has my vote to pass the post first. I may be wrong, but it appears to me that Confusion Bay is not the same animal as when I saw him running behind Silky in the Autumn Champion. Mrs. Dunbar has two representatives in Bear Claw and Red Feather and the former should give a good account against Cameronian. Gladiator, Oak Bay and Soldier of Britain will have a good battle for third place.

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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Rajputana Rifles In Army Hockey Final

Kumaon Rifles Beaten In Fast And Exciting Encounter By 5-3

(By "The Pilgrim")

In a fast and exciting game at Shamshuipo last evening, the Rajputana Rifles accounted for the Kumaon Rifles by 5-3 to qualify for the final of the Army Large Units Hockey Tournament.

In the first 15 minutes the Kumaon Rifles were all over their opponents and almost except them off their feet. Quick goals were scored by Lt. Sawal Khan (2) and Gopal Ram.

Soon after this furious onslaught, the Kumaon Rifles took up the offensive and did good work both in defence and attack. Capt. Lawder kept his forwards well together, receiving splendid support from Nerrin and Partaub on the left flank. During a desperate attack, a penalty bully was given against Datta Ram for trying to prevent a goal, but Partaub, who took the bully, failed to convert. Excitement then ran high and in a solitary breakaway by the Rajputana attack, Lt. Indarjit Singh added a fourth goal just as half-time was called.

A very fast pace was still maintained in the second period. The Kumaon again did the attacking but over-anxiety among the forwards was the cause of bad marksmanship. However, they reduced the deficit through Lawder and Partaub. At this time, only occasionally did the Rajputana attack look dangerous, though Sawal Khan and Indarjit Singh combined effectively to force a short corner and the former found his mark from the resultant hit to make the score 5-2.

Ghulam Rasool, at centre-half, and Datta Ram, left back, during this period were very prominent. The Kumaon in turn fought back desperately and with only a few minutes to go, Umed Singh, on the left wing, further reduced the arrears to make the final score 5-3 in favour of the Rajputana Rifles.

POSITIONAL CHANGES

Though positional changes were made between Nerrin Singh and Partaub in this half, the Kumaon's attack was unable to penetrate the opposing defence. Lt. Singh, at centre-half, did excellent work. Capt. Lawder, as leader, greatly improved in the second half but was unfortunately to receive a nasty crack on his right hand which probably prevented him from finishing his attacks properly.

Except for some very wild hitting by the defence, the Rajputana Rifles showed up well as a team and I shall not be surprised if they retain the championship this year.

BADMINTON FIXTURES

In badminton fixtures last night the University defeated the Chinese Y.M.C.A. 5-4 at the Y.M.C.A. In a match at St. Andrew's, the home team defeated the V.R.C. 8-1.

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Hollywood's newest love team, Ray Milland and Olympe Bradna, are seen for the first time together in Paramount's comedy-romance, "Say It in French," now showing simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Milland plays an American society lad who brings home a French bride in this gay story of life in Manhattan's smart set. Prominent in the supporting cast are Mary Carlisle and Irene Hervey.

Boxing

Middlesex Beaten By Royal Scots

Though local followers of the game can remember more scientific displays in army novice boxing, the competition between novice teams of the Royal Scots and the Middlesex Regiments at Nanking Barracks, Shamshuipo, last night proved an interesting programme.

His Excellency the G.O.C., Major General A. E. Grassel, was present, with Brigadier A. B. Thomson and Brigadier J. T. W. Reeve, and he presented cups to the Royal Scots, who won by 24 points to 21, and to the losers.

The competition was close, Middlesex being level at the sixth bout and only two or three points behind later. The programme opened surprisingly, Brown, Royal Scots, disposing of his man in half a minute. The fight between Gallagher, Royal Scots, and Izzard was the first good one. Both men were fast and Gallagher wielded a dangerous right which, however, he used too often to make effective. Izzard being weary enough to make him miss badly many times. The Scotchman swung a fast left to the jaw when Izzard was on the ropes and put him on the boards twice to gain the verdict.

Moore, Royal Scots, and Roberts put on a hard fight and though the former won, another round might have changed the decision as the Middlesex man had the better stamina. However, he covered up badly and took a lot of punishment in the early stages.

McDougal, Royal Scots, gave the shortest and most polished display in disposing of his bigger but less experienced opponent in one round. The Scotchman brought the fight to close quarters immediately and put in some telling short arm punches which sapped Goddard's strength before a blow to the point put him down. The referee stopped the fight after Goddard had been knocked down three times.

Determined plugging featured most of the fights and the novices showed promise of improvement. The G.O.C. remarked on the good spirit and temper displayed by the men and congratulated the losers as well as the winners.

The results are given below, the Royal Scots team being given first in each case:

Bantamweight L/Cpl. Brown beat L/Cpl. Jones

AMERICAN RACING

Santa Anita, Feb. 23. The Derby race, worth \$100,000, was won by King Ranch Texas, whose entry started badly and was behind Xalapa Crown and Portersmite entering the straight, but won easily. It was a photo finish for third place between Impound and Portersmite. Fourteen ran the course of nine furlongs. On a \$2 totalisator ticket Cienfuegos paid \$19.80, Xalapa Crown \$11.60 and Impound \$3.80.

The weather was clear and the track fast. The race was watched by 50,000 people. Carol Neriman rode the winner.—Reuter.

ST. DAVID'S DAY Dinner and Musical Evening Arranged Locally

Wednesday next, March 1, is St. David's Day, and Hongkong members of the Gwyneddian Society will celebrate their National Day at a dinner and dance at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

At 11 o'clock in the forenoon the President (Mr. E. W. Davies) accompanied by members of the Society will lay a wreath at the foot of the Cenotaph.

The Hon. Secretary of St. David's Society requests all members who have not already done so, to make dinner reservations as soon as possible. It is understood that true to the traditions of the Land of Snow, an excellent musical programme has been arranged, and that the speeches will be commendably short.

(L.k.o. first round). Featherweight Pte. Munderson lost to Pte. Dornier. Bn. Edge beat Pte. Cooke. Lightweight L/Cpl. Morley beat Pte. Frenchum. L/Cpl. Lochrie lost to Pte. McElhatton. Pte. Glassey lost to Pte. Dry (L.k.o. first round).

Welterweight Pte. Gallagher beat Pte. Isard. Pte. Allen beat Pte. Burke. Pte. Manson beat L/Cpl. Morgan. Pte. Cavanagh beat Cpl. Freshwater.

Middleweight Pte. Moore beat Pte. Roberts. Pte. Wallace lost to Pte. Hungen-son. Pte. Dunlop lost to Pte. Emery.

Light Heavyweight Pte. McDougal beat Pte. Goddard (L.k.o. first round). Heavyweight Pte. Alexander lost to Pte. Fawcett.

Capt. F. Snie, A.E.C. was the referee and Capt. E. H. D. Neill, Seaforth Highlanders, and Capt. H. L. Duncan, H.K.S.R.A., were the judges. The bouts were three rounds of 1½ minutes each.

Rifle Shooting

Low Scores Recorded At Mid-week Meet

In spite of the somewhat threatening weather on Wednesday, some thirty-five members of the S.R. (b) Class and forty-five members of the S.R. (a) Class turned up at the mid-week shoot.

The S.R. (b) had another opportunity at the long ranges but the fresh gusty wind and variable light, especially at 800 yards, had a decided effect on the scoring, which was low.

Sgt. Cooper of the Middlesex won the Nett Spoon with 128, two points ahead of Condr. Hill, the latter maintaining a score of over 40 at each range.

Handicap Spoons went to C.S.M. Maclean and L/Sgt. Nunn both of the R.E.'s, the latter putting up a good performance off a 4 handicap.

Originally the S.R. (a) were to fire at 200, 300 and 500 yards, but owing to the delay in the start it was only possible to complete the short ranges. P. O. Richards, who was in charge of the range, appropriately won the Nett Spoon with an 84, closely followed by P. O. Silcock.

It was gratifying to see, as predicted in these notes last week, that the R.A.F. would soon start winning spoons, A.C.I. Gash and L.A.C. Berry both of the R.A.F. taking two of the handicap spoons. The latter's effort was extremely good, considering the weather conditions, to be only 3 points behind an experienced shot like P. O. Richards.

L/Sgt. Jones, of the R.E.'s, and L/Cpl. Thorley, of the Middlesex, both with large handicaps, took the remaining two handicap spoons. Sapper Remberton, still qualifying for a handicap, made a creditable score of 70, as also did L. Tel. A. O. Montague of the R.A.F.

A large contingent of the Middlesex were also out qualifying for handicaps. Immediately after the completion of the Spots Shoot next Sunday morning, which begins at 8.45 a.m. sharp, the annual general meeting will be held in the main lounge of the Clubhouse, and it is hoped that many members as possible will attend.

The third annual report on the activities of the Association has been sent out to all members. Those who have not received their copy by Saturday morning should communicate immediately with the Honorary Secretary.

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Leading scores of the mid-week shoot were as follows:			
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Sgt. V. Cooper (Ser.)	40	45	85
Condr. J. R. Hill (2)	42	43	85
Cpl. T. E. Gurnett (3)	42	43	85
C/Sgt. P. Hine (Ser.)	44	41	85
L/Sgt. W. Nunn (4)	40	45	85
Wine. P. G. Healer (Ser.)	41	44	85
C.S.M. F. G. Maalen (6)	41	44	85
L/Cpl. C. J. Thorley (13)	42	43	85
Sgt. W. Albion (10)	41	44	85
L/Cpl. C. R. Morton (9)	41	44	85
Edm. W. Tonner (8)	41	44	85
L. Tel. D. Campbell (11)	41	44	85
S. T. Harvey (15)	41	44	85
L/Cpl. C. Noble (10)	41	44	85
L/Cpl. W. Ure (16)	41	44	85
Pte. W. Hynde (14)	41	44	85
Spr. G. R. Hume (11)	41	44	85
Spr. E. Humphreys (Nil.)	41	44	85
Pte. T. Harvey (10)	41	44	85
Spr. P. Canning (13)	41	44	85
Pte. M. Tolan (Nil.)	41	44	85
L.A.C. J. Jones (14)	41	44	85
1 denotes winner of the "Nett Spoon"			
Bn. winner of "Nett Spoon" has his handicap reduced by one point.			
P.O. H. Richards (Ser.)	42	41	83

"Greek Goddess" is New Hair Style

Alluring Coiffures Show Sculptured Curls for 1939

The smartest and newest coiffure, perfected by expert hairdressers, is plastic curls, worn flat around the head from a side parting, like that of some sculptured Greek god.

THE leading Paris and New York hairdressers have taken Greek statuary as their inspiration for 1939. They are similar to the popular and flatly feminine Edwardian hair style, but more varied and stylized.

Actually the upswept curls of Edwardian tradition, which last year became the rage the world over, were only a variant of the Greek coiffure. Edwardian hairdressers took their styles from classical statues to create the famous coiffures of the "Gay Nineties."

Upswept curls are still the vogue, but lowering Edwardian heights are no more, and as milady changes her coiffure, so milliners, beauty specialists, and couturiers design hats, colour combinations, and clothes in keeping with the subtle rearrangement of curls.

The modern woman who clings to soft, feminine fashions are adopting Pompadour and Mazarin hair styles in place of the Edwardian side, which has been so popular. The Pompadour, to be honest, is a Street Beautician's and hairdresser's who are responsible for the elegance of the Duchess of Kent's coiffure, told me that these Greek curls are proving very popular, particularly with the current high necklines.

Duchess' Curls

THE Duchess of Kent has been trying out several hair styles recently, adopting first the Pompadour curls, then the Mazarin, but finally deciding on the sculptured style.

She is, thus, again giving the lead to smart women by wearing her hair in plastic curls, a style which suits the Duchess, with her classical features, to perfection.

Forecast for 1939 by the New York Coiffure Guild include small, flat curls and gleaming rolls of lacquered brilliance—hair swathed severely from the nape of the neck in a modern version of the Greek women of two thousand years ago.

One French expert introduces a touch of whimsy to the coiffure of a brunette by pinning a coronet of pastel-dyed curls atop her own dusky locks.

Style for Blondes

"SOREE" is a devastating new coiffure for the blonde, and guaranteed to make the Man of the Moment want to go out and kill dragons when he spies the sheer loveliness of you.

This fascinating hair-do is really a swifter version of the "girl in the bath tub." Hair is swathed across the neckline, and then swept high to a flurry of soft rolls.

The most popular new style sponsored on the Continent is called "Radiance," and was created to enhance the glowing beauty of Titian hair.

This style features a series of turned-under puffs, piled high along the crown of the head, and ending in soft little ringlets.

Hats to Match

With the not-so-daring character there is the brand new "Evening Star" coiffure. It is quite so ultra as the others, but effects—charming! Hair is brushed back from the face, and then curled along the side of the head, the back hair is cut very short and curled, so that it doesn't give the effect of a "Little Women" head of which is very much making.

For the Edwardian hairdresser received all the rich, pigments and enamels of the late Victorian and early Edwardian era, the new classical style has revived the yellow and leafy greens associated with the young gods and goddesses of Olympus.

This spring colours will range from palest primrose to deepest ochre, from lime-green to deep olive, fawn, and emerald striking a more brilliant note.

Alice Thurman, who is showing a new advance model, has designed hats for the new coiffure that are a mass of flowers, ribbon loops, peacock wings, and veils.

The new hats are worn tilted forward, the crown, two to three inches deep, dips well back to the nape.



Changing The Home Scene

IT is not good for anyone to live in the same surroundings for very long, so it is a wise plan to change the position of the furniture occasionally.

Why not, for instance, change the dining room into the sitting room simply by an exchange of the furniture? If you cannot do this, then have an exchange of pictures in every room in the house. It does not sound much, but it is amazing what a difference even this slight change will effect.

Fresh toilet mats, table cloths, even new curtains, will all help to brighten the home and the cost is slight enough, is it not?

But if you have a little money to spend, and your furniture is of the upholstered type, cover it for the spring in gay cretonne and make some new cushion covers. This cretonne is quite inexpensive, and loose covers can either be made at home, or at the shop where you buy the material.

Again have you ever thought of over-hauling your books? If they are all of the tall, cut-glass type, invest in the flat type of pottery vase or smoked or painted glass to add variety to the floral scene.

Make some alteration in your lighting as well. A new cover on your standard lamp will look cheerful and effect a difference in the lighting colour, for instance, from cream to rose. If you have two concealed lighting shades on either side of the mantelpiece, and one of those new pottery lamps on the bureau, you will be able to sense a new atmosphere immediately.

Have you ever thought about your mirrors? Small framed mirrors in the sitting room will help to make it more interesting.

W. H.

O. L.

Club-Life For Babies

INTERESTING LONDON SCHEME

THERE is a babies' club in Chelsea, where mothers and babies meet twice a week. Here in this cottage, which still has a grille in the front door and a long quivering bell-pull of rusted iron, is a fashionable "club" atmosphere, seable and happy.

The "appointments" have all the amenities of an up-to-date West End club. The dressingroom, with its white, porcelain, chromium-plated basins that stand only 18 inches high, is decorated very much in the modern manner in pale and dark rose pink, with pale green cubicles. Each child has an independent locker, towel-rail, and toothbrush rack, adorned with the owner's private "crest," usually an animal, because most of the members are too young to read.

The rose-pink hall repeats the impression of club life. Here are found neatly typewritten lists of "defaulters" for all to see, giving the names of babies who have not slept. By the side of this stands a printed menu of lunches for the week. The mothers, usually wives of authors, artists, and professional men.

Studios as Schoolrooms

Two studios running out on to a rambling old-world garden, equipped with a rumpole, swings, and slides for play, are used as schoolrooms.

In one room, babies of two to three and a half years old "study," and if visiting one can often see half a dozen children playing absently with the sense-training toys recently introduced.

The other studio, given over to the children of four years of age and over, is gay with yellow walls, green doors, and tiny individual chairs and tables of unpainted oak, each with a pot of growing flowers.

At the lunch hour the children carefully don small bib-aprons and wash in the adjoining dressingroom, fabulously smoothing the sides and tops of small heads, and lay little green cloths for lunch.

The active occupations planned for these babies are a sheer delight to them. They revel in dusting and sweeping with tiny brooms, polishing spoons and glasses with miniature dusters, picking, and arranging flowers. There are no organised lessons. Certain time is given over to free play—play with "toys that teach"—and to the feeding of the goldfish, tortoise, birds, cats, and dogs which are the children's pets.

All is done very much in the grown-up manner, and play is usually punctuated by the visitor realises by unconscious skills on grown-up conversation.

"We're going out to dinner to-night," announced a small girl. "Well, you'd better hurry up and dress. I don't want to be kept waiting," said the three-year-old boy who played the part of "father" in this make-believe game.

E. A.

Boleros From Remnants

THE bolero is here again on a tide of fresh popularity, and a very useful little garment it is. A gay one puts life into the dulllest frock; a dark one tones down a smart gown into a simple dinner ensemble.

So, if you have any odd pieces or bits of velvet, brocade, and felt, here are some ideas you may like to try. Any colour of dress felt can be used for a sleeveless bolero. Buy a ball of angora wool of the same shade and crochet three rows all round the edge. Add two small "tuffs" at either side to look like imitation pockets. Or you can use black felt and white angora—this would look charming over a multi-coloured silk afternoon frock.

Stoles often produce a couple of yards of white chiffon at a low price. Line it with strong white satin and edge with tiny silver bangles or sequins. This makes an attractive bridge coat, or, slipped over a white dinner frock, is ideal for that dinner date.

Even a yard and a half of brocade is sufficient for the small bolero, and will look just right over a black velvet frock. Turn-back lapels can be added if more material be used, and puffed sleeves (if the gown is sleeveless).

For a softer silk, cut the back into a "V" yoke, and then pull on the material as to form a swag-like style. The accordion-pleated bolero, too, is very smart, particularly if it has sleeves to match, falling very full at the wrist. Try this in chiffon, but remember that you will need three times the ordinary amount of material.

For Day Dresses

The bolero day dress is exceptionally practical. Make a black tailored skirt with belt attached, a long-sleeved, very short-jacketed bolero, and a gay silk blouse with Peter Pan collar. The dices of this should show below the bolero. If you use a dark material—green, black, blue, or red—you can "ring the changes" by having two or three contrasting blouses. As these are quite plain and sleeveless, their cost is almost negligible. Or, if you have a good satin evening frock which is out of date, why not make a blouse from it? This may easily be cut from the wide skirt.

Again, perhaps you prefer a blouse of the same tone. In this case, applique your bolero in the corners with bright bits of felt, and make a design round the hem of the skirt, too.

If you have any narrow lengths of gold or silver ribbon, edge the bolero and skirt with several bands about one inch apart (the skirt should, in this case, be flared at the hem).

O. L.

FASHION NOTES

LONG evening gloves, in lovely pastel shades of pink, turquoise, primrose, or lettuce green are seen. Equally popular are wrist-length black evening gloves, lavishly embroidered in pearls. It is surprising how often pearls are used now for embroidering accessories, due no doubt to the fact that pearls have soared in fashion's favour.

Evening petticoats are becoming more and more glamorous. Wide insets of colourfully lace are set into voluminous folds of silk, and many yards of lace edge the hem.



An expression of the hood at attached to the blouse that becomes part of a jacket costume. The blouse is suggested to be worn with a fitted cardigan. Note the effect of the hat worn with simple matching skirt.

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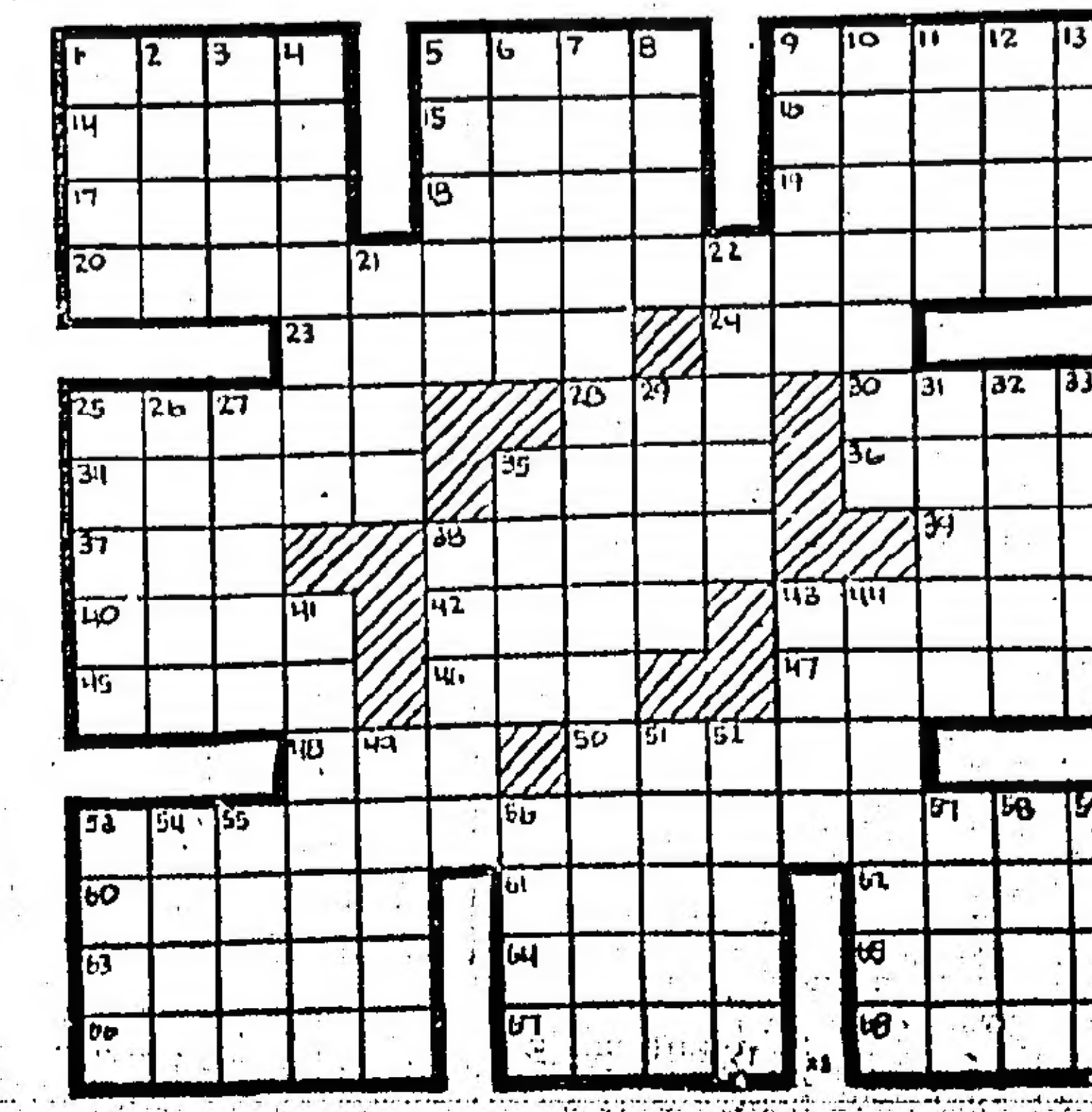
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- One of co-offices
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- Unusual
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- Slip worms
- Kind of puzzle
- Kind of grain
- Hyponym for milk
- Accumulate
- Navy adroit
- Figure
- Price for service
- Thin spire
- Part of pedestal
- Hall
- Boat
- Male cat
- Bird's house
- Black plant
- Gastropod
- Game animal
- Classic sea god
- Vegetary
- Greek god
- Kind of entrance
- Those who use different alphabet
- Part of Kocana
- Period
- East Indian drink

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- Kind of tomb
- Circle land (spanish)
- Boxer
- Design of form
- Tropical bird
- Respected
- Interact
- London sort
- Drawing
- Initiation
- Kind of news
- Reclining organ
- River embankment
- Pat
- Country near Anzies
- At succeeding time
- Wardrobe
- Wanderer
- Price of ride
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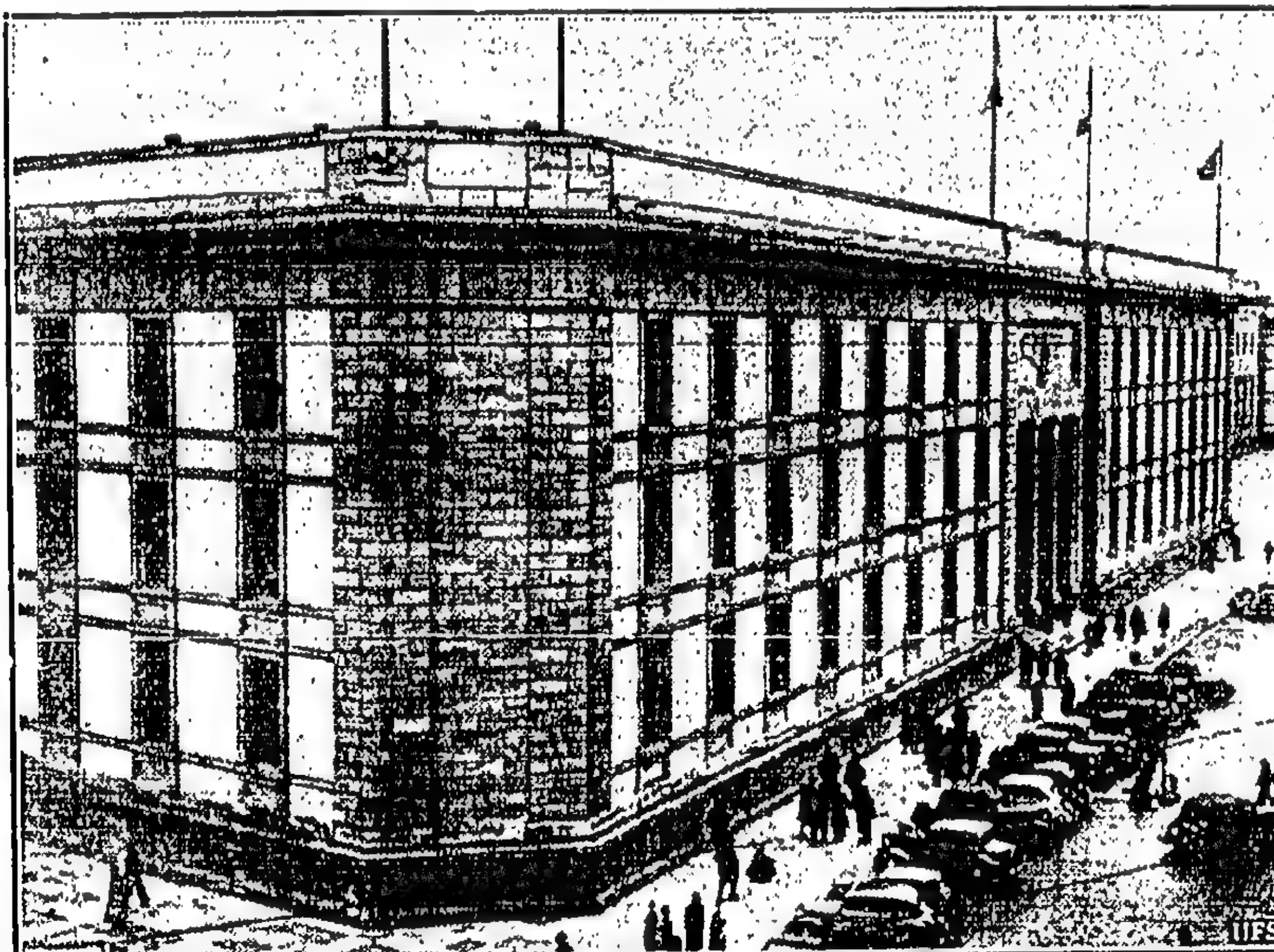
Members of the Loyalist militia on guard at a street corner in Barcelona, Spain, objective of the vast drive by the Insurgents.



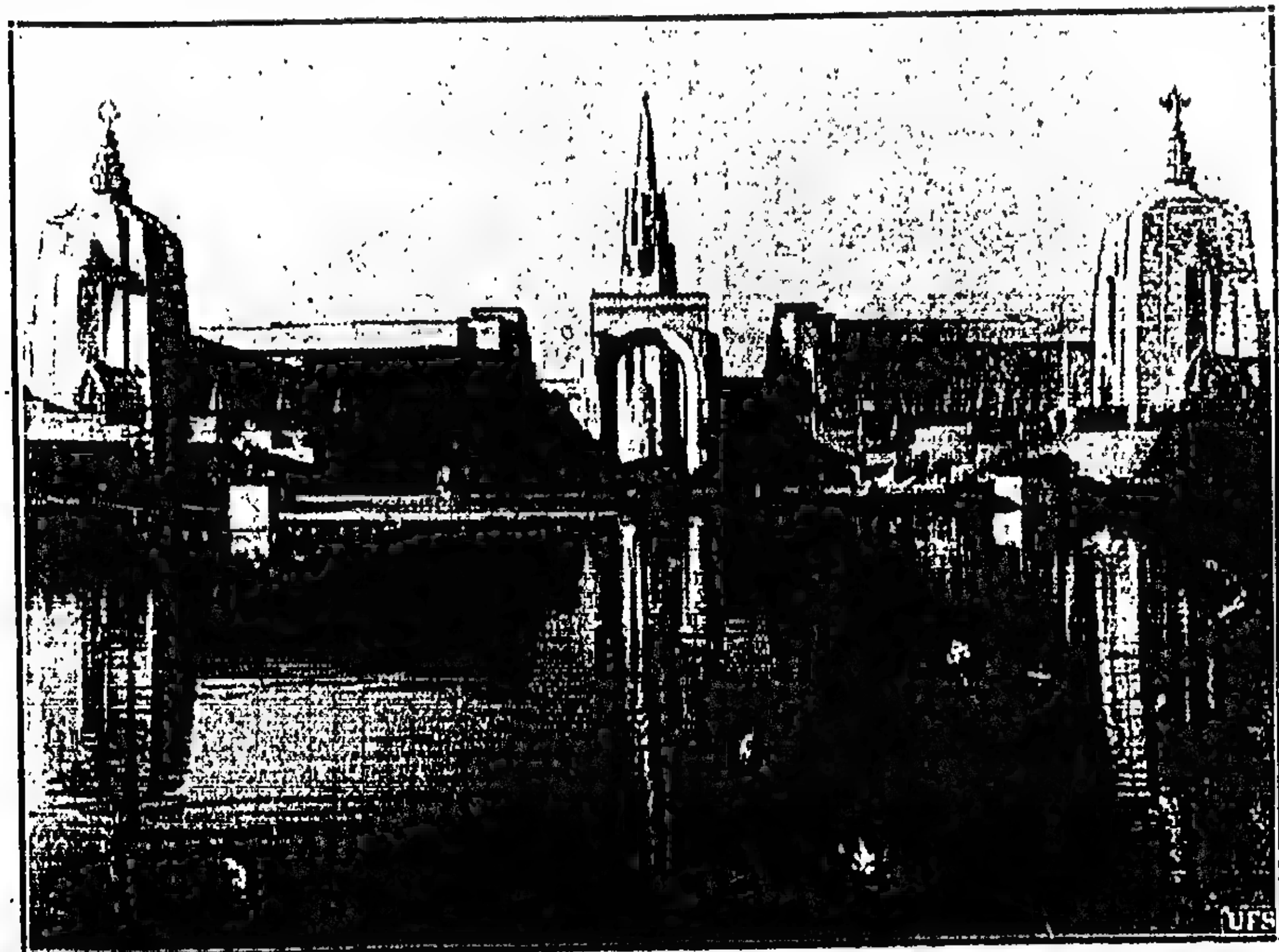
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Unique ceremony in Sofia, Bulgaria, was when peasant boys paraded past King Boris and struck him with their staffs for health and prosperity, as above. Queen Joanna smiles at right.



This is Germany's new 1,300-foot long, three-storey Chancellery, recently dedicated in Berlin by Chancellor Hitler. The building stretches almost the length of Voss Strasse, from Herman Goering Strasse to Wilhelmstrasse. Later, Chancellor Hitler, as supreme head of the armed forces, gave a reception to 3,600 lieutenants of the army and air force and ensigns of the navy, in the Mosaic room.



This delightful scene shows the pictureque Towers of the Lake, of the Golden Gate International Exposition on Treasure Island, San Francisco Bay, mirrored in the Lake of the Nations. Through the Court of Flowers is the Triumphal Arch and beyond that the Tower of the Sun. The exposition opened last week.

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A FORGED LETTER

Man Arrested When He Calls For Money

How an attempt was made to defraud an aged man, So Yuk-cho, residing at 25, Caine Road, of \$100 by means of a forged letter, was described to Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday when Cheng Ming 24, unemployed, was charged with the offence. Detective Inspector A. L. Hopkins prosecuted. It was alleged that complainant received a letter on February 3 bearing the signature of a relative of his in Macao, a man named So Hong-kee, who had an exchange bank in a village near Macao. The letter dealt with some family affairs, and also asked complainant to hand over \$100 to a person named Liu Tak-choy, who would call for the money. Complainant handed the letter to his son and asked him to deal with the matter.

So Kung-leung, complainant's son, on reading the letter, became suspicious because the name of the sender's shop, which was mentioned in the letter, was not written correctly. Instead of being written as the Ho Wo firm, the name mentioned in the letter was the Chung Wo firm.

So Kung-leung informed his father of the suspicions and a letter was sent to So Hong-kee, the purported sender of the letter in Macao. Complainant received a reply by telegram telling him that the letter was forged, also asking him to arrest the man who would call for the money.

A woman called at complainant's house on the afternoon of the day in question, and said that she had come for the money on behalf of Liu Tak-choy, and as proof showed him half of a receipt which tallied with the other half that was sent in the letter to complainant.

So Kung-leung said that he had not yet received the letter from Macao and asked the woman to send Liu Tak-choy for the money. On the evening of the following day, defendant called at complainant's house and said that he was Liu Tak-choy. He said that he had called for the money. So Kung-leung telephoned for the police, and defendant was arrested.

After corroborative evidence by complainant and his son, defendant gave his story in the witness box, saying that he was a carpenter. He met a foreman friend of his on the morning of February 4 and inquired for a job. He was told to call at "number one hundred and twenty-one" which he could not remember what the third figure was. He called at complainant's house and was admitted and immediately seized and searched. He was then arrested. Defendant denied the charge and said that he wished to call witnesses. Mr. Edwards adjourned the case to 2.30 this afternoon to allow defendant time to call witnesses.

SOLICITING EVIL

English-Speaking Chinese Sent to Prison

A 31-year-old Chinese, Chung Tung, alias Jung Hong, speaking English with an American accent, was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday with soliciting for an immoral purpose at Thomson Road, Wanchai, earlier in the morning.

Defendant denied the offence, saying that the person whom he was alleged to have solicited asked him to show him a place to sleep. The man was drunk at the time, declared Chung.

Lt. Col. Willis, of the Corps of Military Police, said that defendant spoke to him about 12.45 a.m. while he was in Thomson Road, and asked witness if he could do anything for him. Witness shook his head but did not speak. When defendant continued to pester him, witness arrested him and handed him over to Chinese detective. Willis denied that he was drunk.

On defendant being convicted, Sub-Inspector R. McEwen, Inspector of Brothels, said that he was a little distance away at the time, but when defendant was brought to him, Chung admitted having spoken to the military policeman in the manner alleged, and also claimed that he had been put up to it by a man named Lee. Chung had been given an opportunity to look for Lee, but had been unable to find him. Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed.

OBITUARY

Bengal Governor Dies After Operation

Caleutta, Feb. 23. Lord Brabourne, Governor of Bengal, who recently underwent an abdominal operation, has died.

Michael Herbert Rudolph Knatchbull, army officer and 5th Baron Brabourne, was born in May, 1895, and educated at Wellington College and the Royal Military Academy. His father was the 4th Baron, the author of "The Political Evolution of the Hungarian Nation" and his mother was a daughter of H. von Flesch-Brauningen, an Austrian Imperial Councillor. The family had been settled in Kent since the time of Henry II.

Lord Brabourne served during the war in the Dardanelles and on other fronts, being mentioned in dispatches three times and receiving the M.C. After the war he joined the Royal Air Force and proved to be one of its coolest and most daring officers. While training he frequently crashed through being too venturesome, but his nerve was never shaken. Resigning with the rank of captain, he was elected in 1931 Conservative M.P. for the Ashford Division of Kent and was appointed parliamentary private secretary to Mr. Samuel Hoare, Secretary for India. He made a close study of all Indian questions and few, if any, of the younger members of the House knew the subject better. In February 1933, his father died suddenly at sea when five days out from Cape Town on the way back to England. Lord Brabourne therefore succeeded to the title and left the House of Commons for the House of Lords.

In June, 1933, it was announced that in the following December he would become Governor of Bombay on the retirement of Sir E. H. Stanley. Although he was one of the youngest men appointed for many years to a post of such responsibility, nobody who knew him doubted his ability to fill it with distinction. He had an attractive personality, unbounded courage, the will to get things done and a sound knowledge of the problems he was to face. Moreover, his wife, a daughter of the Marquis of Sligo, had all the charm and gifts which make the perfect hostess. They were married in 1919 and at the time of his appointment had two sons.

In 1937 he succeeded Sir John Anderson, now Lord Privy Seal, as Governor of Bengal.

GAMBLERS CAUGHT

One Man Jumps To Death During Raid

Death followed Kong Chiu-sang, 33, tailor's assistant, when he left his house in Granville Road, Kowloon, on Wednesday, to go to a room in the Wo Ping Boarding House, Yaumati district, to gamble.

Detectives from the Yaumati Police Station raided the room, and in the confusion that ensued, Kong jumped to the street through a window, which was on the second floor. He died shortly afterwards from injuries.

This incident was mentioned to Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday by Det. Sergeant J. Johnston, when 37 men were charged. One of them, Tsang Shing-to, 49, tailor, was charged with being the keeper of a common gaming house, and the other defendants with gambling.

Fourteen of the men were absent, and their bail of \$3 each was forfeited. The other 22 were fined \$2 each.

Det. Sgt. Johnston requested that Sang be remanded for 24 hours so that a statement could be obtained from him concerning Kong's death. The remand was granted.

The sum of \$1.00 was picked up in the room and this was ordered to be given to the Poor Box.

Another Case

Mr. Macfadyen also dealt with another gambling case, in which a widow named Kwok Kan, 32, was charged with being the keeper of a gaming house. She was fined \$15.

Another woman and eight men were on charges of gambling and they were fined \$3 each. Money found in the house, which was in Canton Road, totalling \$6.72, and this was contributed to the Poor Box. Det. Sergeant Johnston prosecuted.

Netherlands To Build Cruisers

The Hague, Feb. 23. It is authoritatively learned that the Government has given orders for two new cruisers which will be the largest warships in the Netherlands navy.

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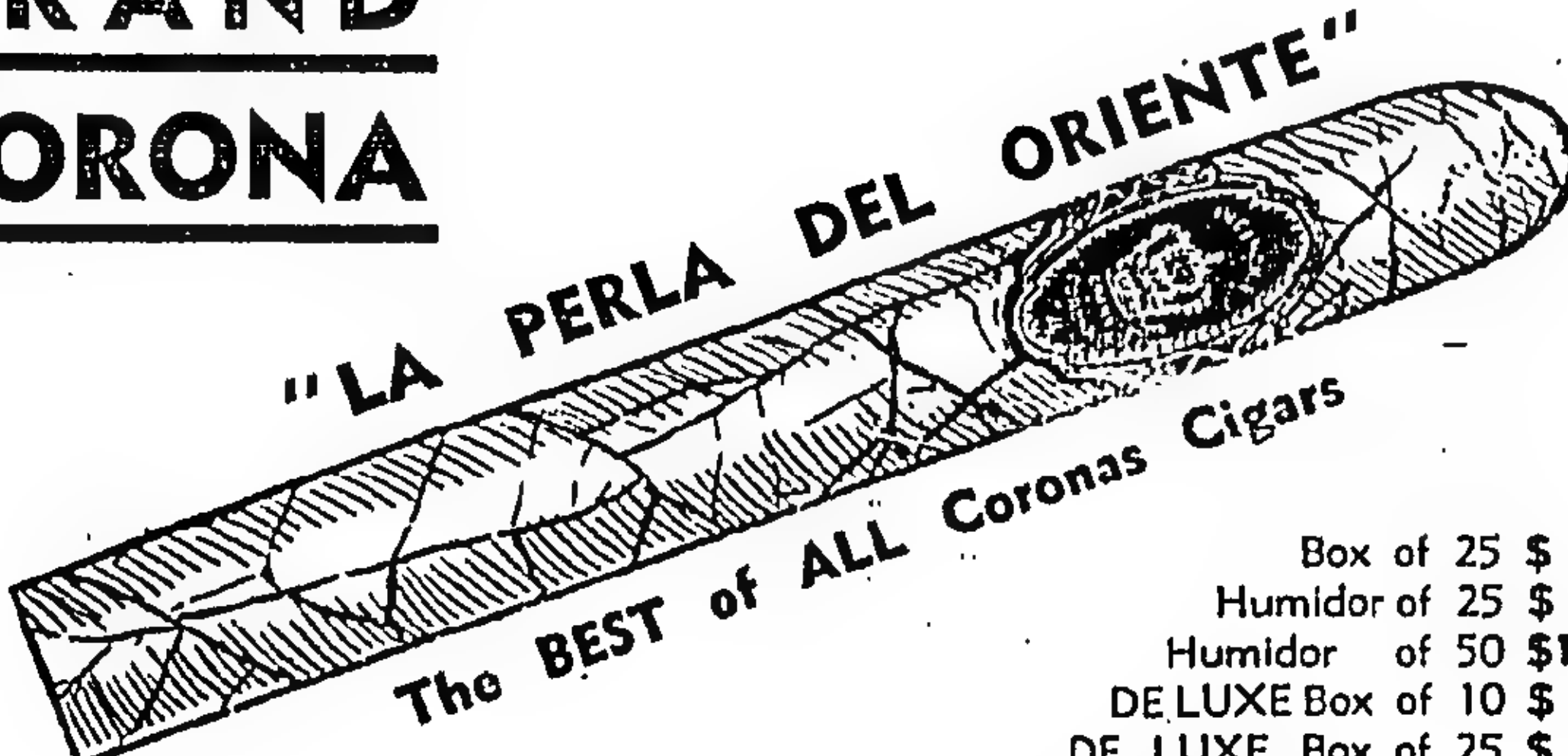


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MOTHER BOUND OVER

Small Son Struck on Head With a Clog

Because her small son had returned home late after a visit to friends on Wednesday, a woman named To Sheuk-hi, 30, struck him with a wooden clog on the arm and head. The boy was hurt, and was taken to the Yaumati Police Station.

Yesterday, the boy appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy with his head bandaged. His mother, To Sheuk-hi, was charged with having ill-treated him, and was bound over in \$10 for a year.

Admitting the charge, she said: "I realize that I have done wrong."

Mr. H. W. Fraser, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, prosecuted. The remand was granted.

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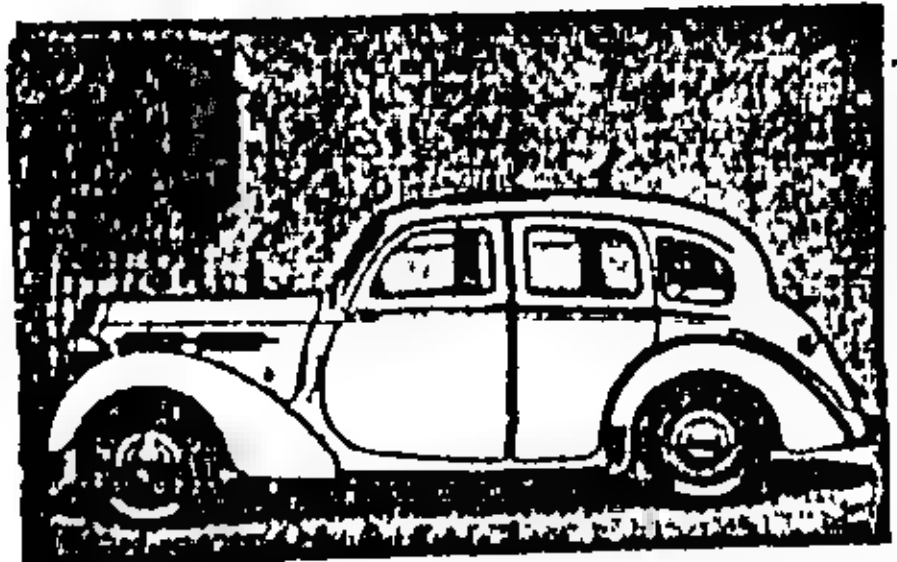
INDIAN CHARGED

Alleged Assault on A Fellow Countryman

Alleged to have caused grievous bodily harm to an Indian private watchman named Isher Singh at the Junction of Gloucester and Luard Roads on February 18, another Indian private watchman, Keesar Singh, 40, was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Detective-Sergeant B. V. Hutchinson, on taking for a formal remand of one week, saying that Isher Singh was in hospital with injuries to his shoulders, where the accused was alleged to have beaten him with a heavy cane, bound with brass at the end. The remand was granted.

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LORD HALIFAX DEFINES ANGLO-FRENCH RELATIONS



A Shanghai rugby player makes a bold, but unsuccessful attempt to intercept a pass during the match against United Services, which the Services won, and his opposite number just manages to grab the ball. An exciting incident during a match packed with thrills.—Mee Chung.

BOMB OUTRAGES

Amazing Evidence In Bow Street Trials

LONDON, Feb. 23.

A DOCUMENT REGARDING arms aboard H.M.S. President, a training ship moored in the Thames near Blackfriars, was mentioned when 18 men re-appeared at Bow Street to-day in connection with the recent alleged Irish Republican Army bomb outrages in England.

14,000,000 YUAN SPENT ON RELIEF

Welfare Of China's
Victims Of War

CHUNGKING, Feb. 23.

IT IS OFFICIALLY revealed that the National Government spent nearly 14,000,000 yuan on relief for war victims in China during the first 18 months of the Sino-Japanese conflict.

The exact figure is stated to be 13,807,000.15 yuan, and of this amount 55 per cent. went to emergency relief, seven per cent. to the Yellow River dyke-break relief last May and June, five per cent. to war area students' relief, five per cent. to war orphans.

However, 25 per cent. was used for productive purposes, such as promoting handicrafts, small industries, and the building up of refugee colonies in the interior.

It was stated that as time goes on expenditure for refugees' productive enterprises is expected to increase, and a reverse proportion will be spent in emergency relief.—United Press.

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Canada arrived at Shanghai on Thursday at 2.30 p.m. and left at 10 a.m. to-day.

Quotation From "Mein Kampf"

LONDON, Feb. 23.

VISCOUNT HALIFAX, replying to questions in the House of Lords to-day on Anglo-French relations, said it would be a profound error to suppose that any mental reservations of any kind accompanied Mr. Neville Chamberlain's words of solidarity with France.

The declaration, he said, was clear and unmistakable.

"If I may translate it into terms of a homely parable, it was in the nature of one of those signs we now see in so many places in the country at danger points—'Halt-Major Road Ahead.'"

Viscount Halifax added that that was its purpose. There was no difference in view on any subject between ourselves and France. Accordingly, neither in France, nor in this country, was any verbal reassertion of our solidarity required.

AIR BASES ON ISLANDS IN PACIFIC

Anglo-American
Co-operation

LONDON, Feb. 23.

DEALING in the House of Commons to-day with the supplementary estimate for £3,044,000 for colonial and Middle Eastern services, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald referred to the sum of £7,500 required for the Gilbert and Ellice Islands.

He explained that the development of air services in recent years had brought into prominence some islands which had hitherto been considered of comparatively little importance, and which it was now anticipated might have a great use as intermediate landing-places in the trans-Pacific air services, including Christmas Island and Canton Island.

"There are three islands which might be important in connection with the development of the trans-Pacific air services," he said. "Consequently we sent them officials from our colonial government and this sum of £7,500 is required to pay the cost of establishing them in the islands, and of carrying on their work during the last two years."

JOINT ADMINISTRATION
"With regard to Canton Island, the position is as follows: Not only the British Government, but the American Government claimed the island, and an Anglo-American agreement was reached comparatively recently that we should hold the island in joint trust for a period of years."

"Since then, discussions have been proceeding between the two governments regarding details of administration, and details of carrying out the trust."

Mr. MacDonald hoped negotiations might be concluded in the near future. At present, there were British and American representatives on the island.—Reuter.

New Syrian Government

Damascus, Feb. 23.

Mr. Loufi Haffar, Finance Minister in the outgoing Syrian Cabinet, has formed a new Government, one of whose first tasks will be to deal with the confused state of Syria's relations with France.—Reuter.

THE NEW CABINET

Damascus, Feb. 23.

After 11 unsuccessful attempts to form a new Government, the revised Syrian Cabinet was announced to-day, and is as follows:

- Premier and Education Loufi Haffar
- Interior and Defence Nazhar Pasha
- Foreign Affairs and Finance Fayed Khouri
- Justice Nassib Bakri
- National Economy Sellim Jeanbart

Two of the Ministers are Christian. Political circles here do not believe the new Ministry will survive very long.—Trans-Ocean.

BIG BOEING EN ROUTE

HONOLULU, Feb. 23.
SHRIeking SIRENS greeted the new \$1,000,000 giant Pan-American Airways seaplane, Boeing Clipper, when she arrived here to-day in the course of making her maiden test-flight from San Francisco to Hongkong.

The seaplane, luxuriously equipped, includes a honeymoon suite. It maintained a steady 150 miles an hour.

Honolulu was gaily decorated for the occasion, and crowds gathered round as the Clipper landed, and presented bouquets to the crew.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI ROUND-UP UNDER WAY

Police In Armour On
House To House Search

SHANGHAI, Feb. 23.

SQUADS OF MUNICIPAL police, wearing bullet-proof vests, accompanied by the Russian Regiment of the Shanghai Volunteers armed with rifles, bayonets and machine-guns, started a house-to-house search in the department store area of Nanking Road to-day, which has been the scene of several shooting and bombing outrages against Japanese.

They searched through a maze of alleyways on which stand cheap lodging houses, opium and gambling dens, and tea houses which are believed to be the hide-outs for criminals.

The big Chinese hotels which also usually harbour the more important criminals are included in the same area, but as yet no discovery of arms has been made. However, several people were detained for questioning.

RESULTS NOT SHOWN

The police authorities announced that the search in the Nanking road area started at 10 a.m. without any arrests being issued, and ended at 11.30 p.m.

However, they refused to reveal whether any guns, hand grenades or ammunition was found, or if any men were arrested.

Eye-witnesses said they saw men taken into the police vans, but on this the police refuse to comment.

However, some of the officials who participated in the raid seemed to be satisfied. The results of the search will probably be officially announced within a few days.—United Press.

Japanese Dead In S. China

Chungking, Feb. 23.

The Kwantung Provincial Government reported to Chungking yesterday that for a period of 40 days, from January 1 to February 10, the ashes of 3,200 Japanese soldiers were transported back to Japan from South China.

The report said the ashes represented those killed in action, and those who had died from illness during the period.

It was added that another brigade of Japanese troops was transferred from Canton to Hainan last week to reinforce the Japanese troops which landed on the island.—United Press.

BEDAUX "ARRESTED" BY S. AFRICAN SHERIFF

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 23.

THE SUPREME COURT to-day reserved judgment on the petition of Mr. Charles Bedaux, prominent American efficiency expert and friend of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, asking for the order to be set aside, that was made by Judge Solomon in the Supreme Court last Friday, authorising the Sheriff to attach his person.

Mr. Bedaux also asked that the Sheriff be ordered to return the £200 which Mr. Bedaux deposited in pursuance of the court order.

Mr. Bedaux in court, said that he was totally unaware of the claim until the Sheriff presented him with a warrant directed to the attaching of his person.

He submitted that he should have been afforded an opportunity of dealing with such a claim before any legal steps were taken against him, and he said that as considerable

U.S. Defence

GUAM AIR BASE SCHEME REJECTED

Sensational End To Debate In House Of Representatives

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES to-day rejected a proposal in the naval air base Bill to spend \$5,000,000 on the improvement of Guam harbour.

Under the rule of the House, however, there is still a chance that the decision may be reversed.

The action was taken after a stormy three-day debate on what was practically the only controversial item in the Administration's \$552,000,000 defence Bill.

With the Guam provision deleted, the \$48,800,000 naval air base Bill was passed on to the Senate by 368 votes to four.—Reuter.

WORLD WAS HOAXED

Torpedo S.O.S. Said
Ghostly Joke

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.

THERE IS EVIDENCE that someone either in south-east Atlantic, southern Europe, or at the Azores, has played a ghostly joke on a nervous world.

It is reported that only the freighter Tulsa heard the alleged S.O.S. torpedo message from the mysterious ship Pecc.

However, radios all over the world have tried frantically, but without result, to make contact with, and to discover the identity of the mysterious vessel, of which no trace has been found, despite the exhaustive search by the Empress of Australia.

Shipping records have not revealed the identity of the vessel, and the call letters "PECC" have not been assigned to a ship since 1936, when the trawler Flindia was sold to French interests, and was assigned new letters.

Diplomatic and marine experts believe that it is inconceivable that a submarine of any Power has torpedoed a merchantman at sea.

Washington naval and radio officials expressed the opinion that the message was a hoax.
Meanwhile, a Berlin report says that the German newspapers are ridiculing the whole affair. One paper regards the S.O.S. as a fake, and the "outgrowth of war agitation in the United States", adding "presumably this mysterious torpedo incident is another 'Mars affair', born of war hysteria which is growing in the United States".—United Press.

Burying The Dead In Shum Chun

St. John Ambulance Brigade has been requested to send a burial party to Shum Chun market to assist in the work of burying the dead.

Many bodies are still being recovered from the debris of the city and burial is being carried out immediately they are found, in order to prevent the outbreak of disease.

The Hongkong St. John Ambulance Brigade is also performing this task in Shum Chun. Yesterday, the bodies of eight people who were killed in and around the Casino were buried, in addition to the bodies of five other people who died from natural causes.

Forty civilians have so far been found to have been killed on the Chinese side of Shum Chun as a result of the Japanese ruthless bombing raid on Tuesday, according to Col. Tseng Tze-yu, police chief of Shum-chin.

However, it is feared that when the heaps of debris are cleared away, more dead will be found.

Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, Acting Chairman of the National Relief Commission, again visited Shum-chin yesterday to comfort and relieve the refugees.—Central News.

JAPANESE BURNING NAMTAU

Terrorism Policy
Put Into Effect

ON WEDNESDAY the "Telegraph" exclusively reported that the Japanese had issued an ultimatum to all districts south of the East River, giving magistrates and village elders until to-day to comply with certain demands.

In the case of Namtau, this ultimatum expired at noon yesterday. At 6 o'clock this morning the Japanese proceeded to put their threat into effect.

A party of four hundred Japanese soldiers have re-entered Namtau and, according to reports received by the "Telegraph" at 10 a.m., have commenced the destruction of the city.

A meeting of the village elders on Wednesday decided to ignore (Continued on Page 4.)

LATEST

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Further Late News

Defence Tests On Frontier

Passive Precautions
On Maginot Line

PARIS, Feb. 23.

AT THE CONCLUSION of the blackout test and passive defence precautions at Metz and Lyons, General Gamelin to-day returned to Paris to report to the permanent committee for national defence, presided over by M. Daladier, which is to meet at the Ministry of War tomorrow.

At the same time the periodic co-ordination conference of North African military chiefs will be held in Algiers to study the Mediterranean and African problems generally. Both conferences will study reports of further reinforcement of Italian camps along the borders of French Somaliland, especially south of Djibouti.—United Press.

EMPIRE NEWS

CANADIAN PREMIER ON U.S. FRIENDSHIP

Ottawa.
During the debate on the speech from the Throne the Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, sharply rebuked Dr. Manion, the Conservative leader, for references to the United States.

Opening the debate, Mr. Manion criticized the new trade agreement with the United States, saying the Government was wrong in the belief that economic bonds would result in closer relations or alliances.

He cited the United States treaty with Czechoslovakia, stating that the United States did not come to Czechoslovakia's assistance, but contented itself with sitting back and "heaping abuse" on Mr. Chamberlain's peace efforts.

Mr. Mackenzie King said: "I am astonished, considering the situation which exists in the world to-day and the part played by the United States, along with Britain and other democratic countries, to hear the leader of a political party say he thought all the United States had done was to criticize Mr. Chamberlain."

"I can conceive nothing less patriotic in these times. The basis of civilization is dependent upon friendly relations between the English-speaking countries of the world."

Kingdom of Canada.—A resolution introduced into the House here recently by Mr. Lacroix, a Quebec Liberal, proposes to change Canada's name from the Dominion of Canada to the "Kingdom of Canada."

The resolution further proposes that the title of the Governor-General be altered to "Viceroy," and that the "Viceroy" should be Canadian born.

Mr. R. B. Bennett's future.—It is predicted that Mr. R. B. Bennett, former Prime Minister of Canada, who is shortly to take up residence in Surrey, will stand for the British Parliament and take an active part in British politics.

NEW ZEALAND

TINNED FOOD PRICES RISING

Auckland.
An upward trend in the price of foodstuffs in consequence of the new import restrictions is apparent. Goods chiefly affected are tinned foods and matches.

Importers say the control system is too complicated. They suggest simplification.

Preference for Britain.—Mr. W. Nash, Finance Minister, addressing the Associated Chambers of Commerce recently said the maximum trade preference would be given to Great Britain under the import control policy.

INDIA

CARGO STEAMER LOST WITH ALL HANDS

Bombay.
The cargo steamer Cambay Star, 537 tons, is reported lost with all hands off Bombay. The crew of 28 included Engineer C. G. M. Corrie.

The Indian Navy conducted a long search, but only an upturned lifeboat and a mast top were seen.

THE QUEEN TO SAIL WITH OWN FURNITURE



Members of the Unemployed Workers Movement in London chained themselves to railings outside the Labour Exchange at Stepney, protesting economic conditions in England. Here some of them are receiving cups of tea, while police, in lower part of picture, use a hacksaw to set them free.

Not Enough To Be A "Bright Young Thing"

MRS. E. V. PARKER, president of the National Union of Teachers, reproved local education committees recently.

She was addressing several hundred teachers, members of the Nursery School Association of Great Britain, at their annual conference.

Many members of education committees seemed to think that "a bright young thing without any training" is good enough to look after children between two and seven.

"The nursery school," she added, "has shown how children can not only learn, but enjoy learning. It would be better for the children if the junior schools followed even more closely the methods of the nursery school."

"But they cannot do this while there is selective examination at the age of about 11."

Mrs. F. W. Ogilvie, wife of the Director-General of the B.B.C., presided.

Nursery-school age is two to five. Mrs. Ogilvie would like to see it extended to seven.

FEARS that the Government's re-armament policy will curtail educational and social services were

expressed by some of the 400 delegates, representing 12,000 schoolmasters, at the annual conference, at Plymouth, of the Incorporated Association of Assistant Masters in Secondary Schools.

The conference passed unanimously a resolution "viewing with great alarm the recent steps taken in the Board of Education Circular 1,464 to restrict the development of secondary education."

It unanimously agreed, also, that headmasters were "too young at thirty."

ALLEGATIONS of snobbery by interviews of boys wishing to enter Sandhurst and Woolwich were made at the conference of the Headmasters' Association.

Dr. T. Thomas (Leeds Grammar School) said that one of his boys was asked by "some stupid old buff" whether his school was a private school, a preparatory school, or a secondary school.

"The boy," said Dr. Thomas, "complained bitterly that he had been put right off and did not know what to say. He said to me, 'I do not think they want boys from Leeds Grammar School.'"

Widow Ejected From Court

MRS. W. J. SOUTHAM, the widow of a wealthy Northamptonshire auctioneer, was ejected from Market Harborough Police Court recently.

The court had been sitting 15 minutes when Mrs. Southam entered and took a front seat in one of the public benches.

Suddenly she got up, took off her hat and attempted to address the magistrates, calling two of them by their names.

For nearly an hour she waited outside the court shouting, and once she tried to re-enter. Finally she was told that if she wanted to make an application she could do so in waiting and a note was handed from her to the Bench.

Mrs. Southam said that she had been threatened with a rate summons, and wanted advice from the Bench.

"When my husband was alive I was asked to be a magistrate. Now I am rebuffed," she added.

Rabbit Hunted, Bear Found

Kezar Falls, Me.
Game Warden Verne Black had to use five rounds of ammunition, but he finally killed a 400-pound bear whose hideout had been mistaken for a rabbit's burrow by a frightened novice hunter.

Repulse Gun Moved for Royal Sun Lounge

PORTSMOUTH.

THE King and Queen will have their own furniture in the battle cruiser Repulse when they cross the Atlantic to Canada in her in May.

Dining and drawing room suites from the royal yacht Victoria and Albert are to be transferred as soon as the building of their apartments in the ship is completed.

The extra cabins are being put on the open deck alongside the superstructure. They will make the Repulse suitable for use afterwards as a flagship, which carries extra staff.

The quarters normally occupied by the captain are being refitted for the use of the King and Queen. There will be a big day cabin and study for the King, and a dining-room for the whole width of the ship. All the cooking will be done in the existing captain's galley.

FITTED AS BOUDOIR

The captain's sleeping cabin will be the King's bedroom, and his spare cabin the Queen's. An extra bathroom is being installed for the Queen's use.

The captain will have to live in the small sea-cabin on the bridge, which he uses in the ordinary way only while the ship is at sea.

Vice-Admiral Sir Dudley North, who commands the royal yachts and is responsible for the King's safety at sea, will probably be in the Repulse for the cruise.

One of the extra cabins being built on the port side is to be fitted up as a boudoir for the Queen. It will have dainty hangings, a pile carpet, and comfortable chairs.

The lighting equipment of the Repulse has been affected hardly at all by the changes. One 4-inch gun has been dismantled to make a sun lounge above the King's dining-room.

STORED IN HANGAR

Two other 4-inch guns of old pattern have been removed from the space on which the new cabins are being built, but they are due to be replaced by more modern guns in other positions.

Many of the officers will have to give up their cabins to members of the suite and "double up" for the time being in two-berth cabins with other shipmates.

The whole of the twenty-five tons of baggage for the royal party will be stored in one of the hangars. It will be loaded and unloaded by the cranes that normally hoist in the ship's airplanes.

The royal barge from the Victoria and Albert will be used for all trips between ship and shore. The piano in the royal apartments is also to be transferred from the Victoria and Albert.

60 Years Wed, He Celebrated

MR. and Mrs. Henry Medhurst celebrated their diamond wedding at Windsor-road, Hailsham, near Eastbourne, recently.

Mr. Medhurst, who is 86, came home earlier than usual from his thatching to play cribbage with Mother.

And, as he plays cribbage with Mother every other night, the day was not very much different from most.

THE OLDEST THATCHER

Mr. Medhurst is a very busy man—he has thatched homes specially for Royalty.

Charity was there, but not Faith and Hope.

Faith, Hope and Charity are the triplets among Mr. and Mrs. Medhurst's family of eight girls and four boys. All three are married; Faith and Hope could not get away from their home.

Mr. Medhurst claims to be the oldest working thatcher, last of generations of thatchers, for his sons spurned the trade.

"PERFECT HAPPINESS"

Recently he cycled six miles to Cowbeach to thatch a roof in a biting north-west wind.

"It's a trade you have to learn young," he said, "I thatched Compton Place, at Eastbourne, before King George went to stay there."

"And I did it again before our present King and Queen went there."

"I've had 60 years of perfect happiness. I've been blessed with a good wife."

Mr. and Mrs. Medhurst have 25 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Electricity

Price Goes Up

CENTRAL LONDON ELECTRICITY LTD., which serves the City, Westminster, Chelsea, and parts of Highborn and Kensington, announced recently a 7½ per cent. increase in price to all its electricity consumers.

They give the same reason as the big gas companies gave for a dearer gas a fortnight ago: "increase in the price of coal and other items."

Electricity charges went up from February 1, except on the two-part tariff system, where the increase will start from the expiry date of the current contract.

Bomb Shelters For 500 War Factories

FIVE HUNDRED warplane factories are to be provided with A.R.P. shelters by the Government, each holding 50 persons and costing £95. Thousands will be constructed and the new scheme will take the place of the system of protecting the workers in trenches.

The shelters will not be gas-proof, and every worker will be instructed to take his gas mask with him in the event of an air raid. But apart from this, unless a direct bomb hit is made, they will give 100 per cent. protection.

The Air Ministry has worked out the scheme in co-operation with the Home Office, and owners of all factories producing aeroplanes for the Government have received details.

GAS-PROOF FIRST AID STATIONS, FIRE POSTS

Constructed not less than 25 feet apart, the shelters will be not more than six feet below ground level, with two feet of earth overhead. Each person will be provided with an 18-inch-wide seat.

A scheme for the provision of gas-proof first aid stations and fire posts has also been worked out.

The question of payment for the shelters is now being discussed, but it is understood the greater part of the cost will be borne by the Government.

The step, has been taken because in time of war the Air Ministry will be responsible for the production of warplanes.

Misunderstanding about the A.R.P.

evacuation scheme announced by the Ministry of Health has led to many complaints from areas from which people will not be evacuated in the event of war.

The scheme is elastic and may be revised if conditions make it necessary. Broadly speaking, no adult and able-bodied person will be evacuated from any area, with the exception of mothers and people who will actually assist in the evacuation of others.

Those to be evacuated will be schoolchildren, children under school age and mothers who are able to accompany them, the aged and infirm.

It is not the intention of the Government to evacuate every person from any given area. It is pointed out that if this were done essential work and services in those areas would be brought to a standstill.

A further test of the range and effectiveness of the air-raid sirens being experimented with by Scotland Yard were carried out recently.

Mild Winter Predicted

Lewes, Del.
Capt. Irwin S. Maull, veteran fisherman, has predicted an open winter this year because of the thousands of wild duck that have been feeding at the mouth of Delaware Bay.

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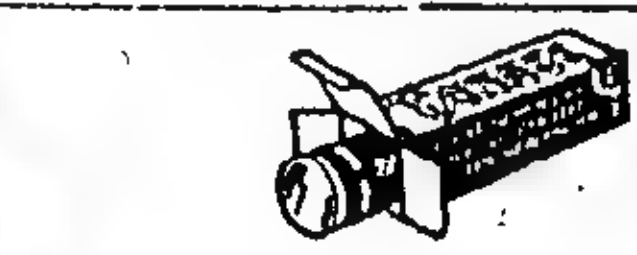
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MINISTER WAS "ONCE ON DOLE AND A TRAMP WITHOUT HOPE"



This picture shows London bobbies urging along a demonstrator who made too much noise when Prime Minister Chamberlain and Lord Halifax were about to leave Victoria Station for Rome. The man was one of the Unemployed Workers Movement members who rioted, shouting, "Feed the unemployed, not Mussolini."

Prison Singers

Sydney, N. S. W.
For the first time in Australia, radio listeners heard community singing and other musical items emanating from within prison walls. A concert given by the inmates of the Goulburn, N. S. W., gaol was broadcast by a national station.

EMPIRE NEWS

SABOTAGE CAUSES RAIL DISASTER

CALCUTTA.
Seven persons were killed and 50 injured in the derailment recently this morning of the Calcutta-Delhi Dun express, 210 miles from Calcutta. Sabotage is suspected. The first and last coaches escaped, but the centre five were derailed and overturned. Fire broke out and rescue work was carried out in the light of the burning coaches. Only the iron framework was left. Most of the injured are burned. The driver is safe. He reported that he saw rails missing from the line. The engine jumped the R.P., but the tender was derailed. This is the fifth derailment on the East Indian Railway in 18 months.

\$700,000 FORTUNE OF RAND PIONEER

CAPE TOWN.
A fortune of £710,000 has been left by Mr. J. P. Koster, who died, aged 81, at Cape Town on Nov. 24. A German by birth, Koster came to South Africa as a young man, becoming one of the early pioneers of the Rand. His main mining interest was in the New Modderfontein Gold Mine, BURMA.

STUDENTS' STRIKE SPREADS

RANGOON.
The students' strike has spread to industrial workers. Omnibus services are not running. Columns of marchers are parading through streets darkened by the smashing of street lamps. Buddhist priests are active, and the tone of the Burmese Press is extremely violent. It is generally felt that Government assertion of authority is needed. As yet, however, only a few arrests have been made among the leaders. The release of these has been promptly included among the strikers' demands.

Lesson of Life On Roads

COLLIER, SHIP'S RIGGER, TRAMP, AND NOW METHODIST MINISTER.

Such has been the colourful career of the Rev. Norman Burns, aged 33, a Dundee man, who has charge of a church at Tilehurst, near Reading.

Mr. Burns said recently that 10 years ago he was at his wit's end.

Time after time he had been thrown on the dole by a shortage of work and finally decided to take to the road.

For months he tramped the country doing odd jobs, sleeping in casual wards and sometimes in the open air.

"Life meant nothing to me. There did not seem to be anything worth living for," he said.

To-day he is looking forward to marrying a girl whom he met after his arrival at Tilehurst two years ago.

"After I had wandered throughout almost every county in England I returned to my senses to some extent and went back to Newcastle," Mr. Burns disclosed.

"There I attended a religious meeting in a cottage, and was converted."

"Later I met Mr. Jack Graham, former chairman of Newcastle United F.C., and a local preacher."

"He introduced me to the late Rev. D. L. Pawson, who persuaded some local business men interested in the church to advance money for my instruction as a Methodist minister at Cliff College, Derbyshire."

SMASHES SNOBBERY
After his training Mr. Burns spent five and a half adventurous years working among the fisherfolk and lumberjacks of Labrador and Newfoundland.

Mr. Burns confesses that he is finding it difficult to adjust himself to church routine after his rough life in the West.

"I myself am my worst problem," he said.

"But my experience as a tramp has given me a deep understanding of human problems."

"I know how terrible the effect of unemployment can be."

"It makes a man unemployable and kills his hope and self-respect."

"To be 'down and out' smashes every spot of snobbery in you. It makes you accept men as men."

A Mauve Dress Made Him Famous

TWO women and a young man sat recently in a lecture theatre at the Royal Institution, W., and watched a professor show how one of their ancestors made a mistake that brought him prosperity.

The lecturer, Professor James Kendall, told how William Henry Perkins discovered aniline dye.

In the audience were Perkin's daughters, Miss Perkins, of Notting Hill Gate, W., and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, of Ealing, W., and a grandson, Mr. Peter Kirkpatrick.

Perkins was trying to prepare quinine artificially when he found the dye instead.

His dye was mauve, not a popular colour for women's dresses in Britain nearly a century ago.

But in 1862 Queen Victoria changed all that. In half-mourning for the Prince Consort, she bought a mauve dress at the Royal Exhibition.

The colour became immediately fashionable. The dye industry, Perkin had founded, flourished. He was knighted.

Professor Kendall showed a piece of the actual material from which the mauve mourning dress was made.

Oregon Marriage Costs

Portland, Ore.
Oregon's new marriage law, requiring medical examination, brings the cost of marriage now up to \$13 a couple. The physical examination costs \$5 for each of the parties and the license \$3.

FOR THE NURSING MOTHER

Both before and after the birth of her children, a mother needs plenty of simple, easily digested nourishment to meet the extra demands made upon her system.

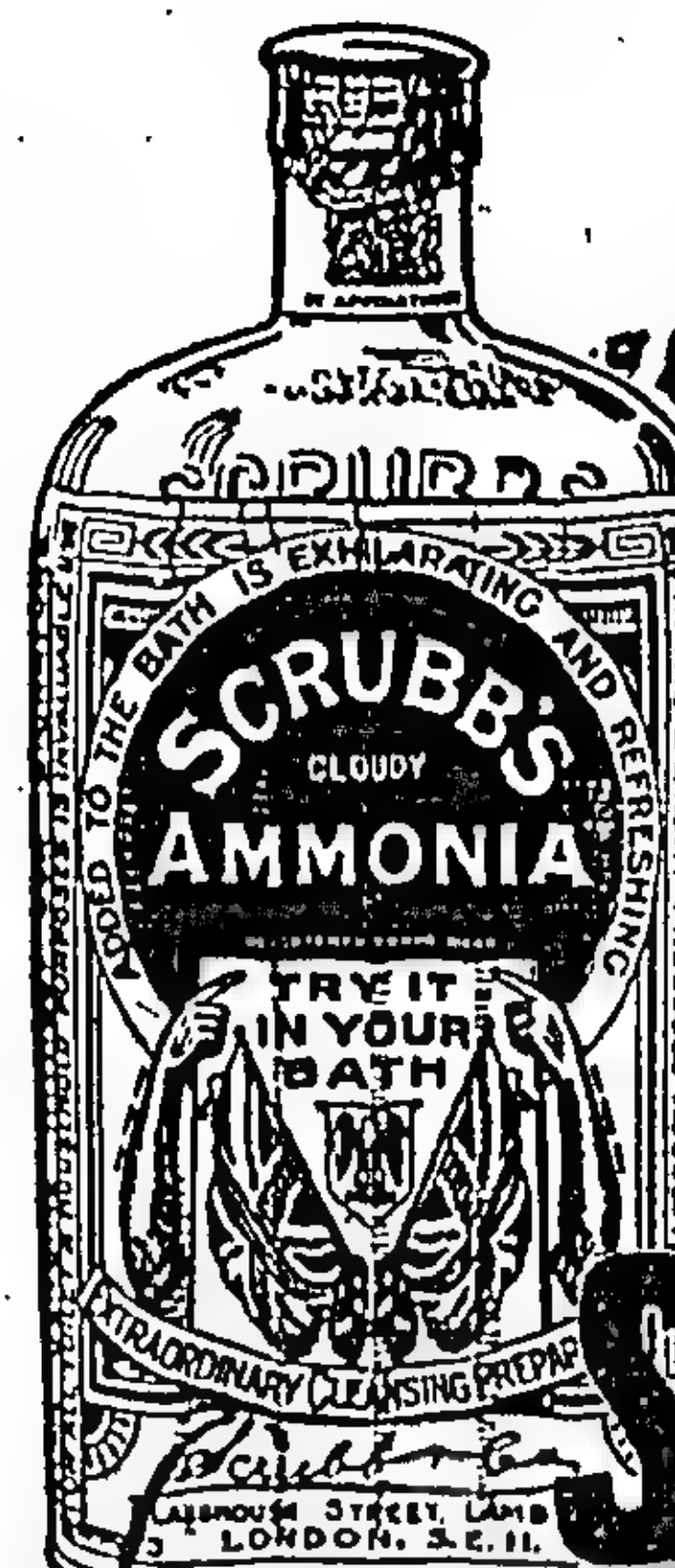
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Horlicks, moreover, provides the extra nourishment nursing mothers need. It is invaluable where the digestive powers are weak, and tends to prevent constipation.

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Cat On Campus Payroll

BURLINGTON, VT.
A cat is on the University of Vermont payroll at \$16 a year. His duty is to catch mice that may invade the University greenhouse. Frightened of children, the nameless black feline prefers to associate with faculty members.

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BANK HOLIDAYS

The Exchange Banks will open at 9.30 a.m. and will close at 12 Noon for the transaction of exchange business on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 27th, 28th February and 1st March, 1939. (Race Meeting).

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1939.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, Exchange Building, 14 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 7th day of March, 1939, at 12.15 o'clock in the afternoon or so soon thereafter as the Annual General Meeting of the Company convened for that day shall have terminated for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing a resolution in certain respects the Articles of Association of the Company.

Full particulars of such proposed alterations have been sent out to shareholders by post. A copy of the proposed special resolution giving details can be inspected at any time during business hours at the Registered Office of the Company.

By Order of the Board,

W. L. MCKENZIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1939.

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NOTICE.

Disposal of Pumping Plant and Rollers at Tylam Tuk Pumping Station

Government is prepared to receive offers for the above as notified in No. S. 65 of Government Gazette dated 17th February, 1939.

Tender forms and particulars may be obtained on application to the Water Authority, Public Works Department,

R. M. HENDERSON,
Water Authority.

Public Works Department,
Hong Kong.

22nd February, 1939.

G. R.

NOTICE.

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS DURING THE RACES

1. It is hereby notified that on the days fixed for the Annual Race Meeting at Wong-Nei-Chong (February 25th, 27th, 28th and March 1st and 4th), the following Regulations, under Ordinance No. 2 of 1869, will be in force:-

1. All Vehicles going to the Races at Wong-Nei-Chong will proceed clockwise round Happy Valley via Wong-Nei-Chong Road to the entrance gates.

2. Vehicles must proceed at a slow speed in the vicinity of the Race Course.

3. Vehicles will be parked in the vicinity of the Race Course as directed by the Police on duty.

4. Dogs are not allowed on or near the Race Course. Any dog found straying on or near the Race Course is liable to be destroyed.

Note.-Kennedy Road will be open to light motor traffic from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

II. Extra Race Meetings during the year 1939.-On days fixed for Extra Race Meetings.

One way traffic will be enforced in Wong-Nei-Chong Road.

Kennedy Road will not be open to motor traffic.

PARKING OF CARS AT THE RACE COURSE

1. The Stand at the public entrance is reserved for Jockey Club Stewards and Officials only.

2. Morrison Hill parking ground opposite Civil Service Club and Village Road reserved for Private Cars.

3. Ventria Road reserved for Public Cars.

T. H. KING,

Commissioner of Police.

24th February, 1939.

Hong Kong.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on TUESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1939, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1938, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 25th February to 7th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1939.

Order of the Board.

W. L. MCKENZIE,

Secretary.

14 Des Voeux Road Central.

Three Die In Air Collision

Karachi, Feb. 23. An air collision occurred yesterday between two Indian National Airways planes, while on a flight to Lahore, and in which three persons were killed.

It is understood they include the two pilots, who were brothers, and a passenger named Davidson, who is reported to have been connected with an American oil concern. -Reuter.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. U.S.A.	20 3/4
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T.T. Batavia	150 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	108 1/2
T.T. Saigon	10 1/2
T.T. France	10 1/2
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JAPANESE BURNING NAMTAU

(Continued from Page 1.)

The Japanese ultimatum and anti-appealing Japanese reprisals, arrangements were simultaneously made for the removal to a place of safety of all women and children. According to reports received by the "Telegraph" this morning, the Japanese soldiers are settling fire to the city. The Magistrate's yamen and other public buildings are already afire and fears are expressed that the Japanese will raze the entire city.

FEARS FOR ELDERS

Fears are felt for the safety of the village elders, who will undoubtedly receive harsh treatment if they fall into the hands of the Japanese. Mass terrorism was decided upon by the Japanese authorities last week as the most effective way of crushing Chinese resistance in South China.

Pamphlets were dropped at all huts between Hongkong and the East River, containing the following demands:-

1.-All existing magistrates of Hsien will immediately resign unless they have notified the Japanese authorities that they are prepared to re-form their administrations in conformity with the Japanese demands.

2.-Village elders will immediately appoint delegates, who will proceed to the Japanese headquarters at Taping in order to inform the Japanese authorities that instructions for the appointment of new magistrates have been carried out. The new magistrates will be required to report periodically to the Japanese authorities that all anti-Japanese activities have ceased in their districts and that sympathies with the Chungking regime have been totally suppressed.

3.-Newly appointed magistrates and the village elders will be jointly held responsible for anti-Japanese activities in their areas.

4.-Failing compliance with these demands before Friday, February 24, cities and villages in rebellion against Hsien will be ruthlessly bombed.

NAMTAU "DISAPPEARANCE"

The "Telegraph" understands that the new Japanese demands were first disclosed when a Japanese force first invaded Namtau last week.

The magistrate at Namtau escaped before the Japanese entered the city and the Japanese appointed a new magistrate. The latter, however, "disappeared."

Following the disappearance of the Japanese-appointed magistrate, the Japanese authorities in Taping delivered an ultimatum to the village elders in Namtau.

They were required to appoint a new magistrate and to conform with the new Japanese demands before noon Wednesday. Submission to the Japanese demands were to be notified to the Japanese authorities in Taping before noon yesterday.

At a meeting of the village elders it was agreed, according to information reaching the "Telegraph," to ignore the Japanese ultimatum.

CUSTOMS OFFICERS LEAVE

This morning that Chinese Maritime Customs officers have been withdrawn from Shekoi, the customs station about a mile south of Namtau. Namtau officers were withdrawn some time ago. Shekoi is in Deep Bay, the waters of which are British territory.

Soviet Army 'Comes Of Age'

Moscow, Feb. 23. The Soviet Red Army to-day celebrated its "coming of age".

The day was marked by the entire army and navy, from commanders down to the rank and file, taking a new oath, under which each soldier vowed to be "honest, courageous, disciplined, and vigilant". Each man took the oath individually, and later signed a paper. -Reuter.

Baden Powells' Birthdays

Nairobi, Feb. 23. Lord and Lady Baden-Powell to-day celebrated their 62nd and 60th birthdays, respectively, by attending the Girl Guide celebrations at the Government House of Nairobi. The Chief Scout was in excellent spirits. -Reuter.

TRIBUTES TO DEAD SOLICITOR

Legal Profession Assembles

Tributes to the late Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro were paid in the Full Court this morning, when members of both branches of the legal profession assembled together as a mark of respect to their departed colleague.

The Chief Justice, who sat with Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, Puisne Judge, said:

"Mr. Attorney, before beginning the ordinary work of the Court it is fitting that on behalf of my brother and of every member of both branches of the profession in the Colony, I should pay a tribute to the memory of Mr. Francisco Xavier D'Almada e Castro, who died on the morning of the 21st day of this month."

"Mr. D'Almada was born in Hongkong on January 18, 1869. "He was first called to the Bar in 1895 and later in 1897 to Mr. Wilkinson of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist. He was admitted to practice as a solicitor of this Court on August 24, 1897, and was at the time of his death the senior solicitor in the Colony with the exception of Dr. Tao."

"Nobly more fully earned and deserved the respect and affection of all with whom he came in contact. He had great personal charm and transparent honesty, while his charitable work not only for his fellow Catholics but also for the poor, the blind and the distressed of the Colony brought him well merited recognition when in June, 1933 His Holiness the Pope conferred on him the honour of the Order of St. Sylvester."

"Mr. D'Almada was the doyen of a legal family and he leaves a son, a brother and a nephew in the profession of his own choice and a nephew at the Bar."

"To his widow and to all his relatives my sincere sympathy goes out in their sad bereavement and the Court will now adjourn for a few minutes as a mark of our respect and regret."

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S TRIBUTE

The Attorney General, Hon. Mr. C. G. Ahbaster, K.C., said: "Speaking on behalf of the Bar of the Colony and of the members of the Colonial Legal Service, I would like to express our desire to be associated with all that has been said by your Lordship."

"It has been my privilege to know the late Mr. Francisco Xavier D'Almada e Castro for close on thirty years and the high opinion I first formed of his character, ability and integrity has been amply confirmed throughout the whole of that period. His presence in this Court will be sorely missed."

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton said: "On behalf of the solicitors practising in the Colony I wish to endorse all that your Lordship and the Hon. the Attorney General have said with reference to the late Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro. With one exception, Mr. D'Almada was at the time of his death, the oldest practising solicitor with regard to date of admission on the roll of the Court and was the first locally qualified solicitor to be admitted."

"During his career he earned the respect and esteem of himself to all by his unflinching courtesy. He took an active interest in the profession and the work of the Incorporated Law Society, on the Committee of which he served since the year 1930, attending regularly the meetings of the Committee unless prevented by illness. He also served on various sub-committees of the Society and was always ready to give his time and knowledge to promote the interests of the profession."

"One overwhelming tragedy marked his life and happiness from which he never fully recovered."

"We shall miss him from among us but the name of D'Almada e Castro will be continued on the rolls of this Court by his son, his brother and nephews, one of whom is a distinguished member of the Hongkong Bar. To them, to the members of the family and to his widow, we extend our sincere sympathy."

Execution Follows Amoy Killing

CHUANCHOW, Feb. 24. A Japanese detective has been assassinated in Amoy.

The assassin left behind a slip of paper declaring himself to be a member of the Chinese Youth Corps for the Recovery of China's Lost Territory.

Handbills denouncing the Japanese militarists were also distributed.

As a result of an extensive search conducted by the Japanese authorities, a member of the Corps by the name of Chang Chen-wen was arrested. He was executed the following day. -Central News.

Japanese Warships Shell Island

Kinkwa, Feb. 24. Two Japanese warships have shelled Kinkwa, a town on Shusan Island in the Chusan Archipelago off the Chekiang coast.

They fired more than 50 shells, which wounded three civilians and damaged over 20 houses.

Later, the war vessels steamed to Tungshakou nearby and set fire to six junk. They also shelled the coast, destroying 20 more houses. -Central News.

LORD HALIFAX DEFINES ANGLO-FRENCH RELATIONS

(Continued from Page 1.)

points of difference between itself and France.

MISREPRESENTATION

Referring to fact that this country was not infrequently misrepresented abroad, Viscount Halifax said: "Everyone must realise by now that there is no war party in this country. There is no party and no statesmen who would, for one moment, contemplate an aggressive war, nor could they get any support from our people for such a policy. On the other hand, there are some people in other countries who fall into the opposite error; such people attempt to interpret our will for peace as proof of our weakness, cowardice, or lack of resolution."

"I should like to make it quite clear that one is as unfounded and completely mistaken as the other."

Responsible heads of governments in Europe had, at various times, proclaimed that war brought no advantages to the victors. That was a statement, the truth of which had been brought home to the peoples of Britain and France within the lifetime of the present generation, and it was not therefore, surprising that they should stand in the van to condemn war as an instrument of national policy. That was not to say that the people of this country, or France, would refrain from resisting by force any threat to their lives of independence, or what they believed to be their vital interests.

"MEIN KAMPF"

Quoting Herr Hitler in "Mein Kampf" on the subject of the German pre-war miscalculation of the Englishman and his Empire, Viscount Halifax observed: "Our resources remain enormous and the spirit of our people has not altered."

"We don't desire to test our strength because we believe that while wars are apt to unsettle, more they ever settle, there are no questions that given goodwill, cannot be brought to solution through a full and frank discussion, and the Government would ask for nothing better than circumstances should so shape themselves as to make that treatment of the many questions with which we are concerned possible."

"On the other hand, no one who knows the British mind will doubt, that should necessity ever be forced upon us, our people would be found to-day not less tenacious for their liberty than they have ever been (cheers). -Reuter."

DAIRY FARM DIVIDEND

Subject to audit the Directors of The Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co. Ltd., will recommend to Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on March 22, at noon that the balance at Profit and Loss Account as at December 31, 1938, amounting to \$1,304,78, which includes \$74,095-95 brought forward from last Account and from which sum has been deducted \$125,715.00 in respect of Interim Dividend paid, be appropriated as follows:

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It is also proposed to ask Shareholders at the Meeting to sanction a new issue of shares in the proportion of one new share for every six shares held by Shareholders registered on 22nd March, 1939. These shares to be issued at \$7.50 per share. Shareholders will be asked to pay in cash \$5.00 per share, and the sum of \$2.50 per share to be granted as a bonus from the reserves of the Company. Fuller details will be available at a later date.

Border Bombing Settlement

It is authoritatively learned that the results of a meeting between Mr. Arita, Japanese Foreign Minister, and Sir Robert Craigie, have been incorporated in a message to the Home Government in London, suggesting a settlement of the border incident.

The Colonial Secretary this morning indicated that such a message had not been received in Hongkong yet.

Martial Law In British Guiana

London, Feb. 23. Martial law was proclaimed to-day in the district of Georgetown, British Guiana, owing to the threatening situation there.

Despatches state that 1,000 strikers, armed with long knives, are assembling so that the police have had to be reinforced and supplied with firearms.

In view of the revolutionary character of the disorders, the police have received instructions to prevent groups of more than three persons forming in the streets. -Trans-Ocean.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILES

From	Per	Due.
Manila	Tweedbank	February 24.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	Yasukuni Maru	February 24.
Shanghai	Conte Blancmanno	February 25.
Shanghai	Hollow	February 25.
Straits and Europe via Neapatum (Papers etc.), London date, 26th		
January.	Husimi Maru	February 25.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"-London date, 18th February.	Imperial Airways Plane	February 25.
Straits	Mulim	February 25.
Manila	Pres. Taft	February 25.
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Straits	Thesus	February 26.
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OUTWARD MAILES

For	Per	Date and Time.
Air Mail for "K.L.M." Airways Yasukuni Maru	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri. Feb. 24. 12.30 p.m.
Direct Service"-due Amsterdam, 7th March	Reg.	Fri. Feb. 24. 12.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Yasukuni Maru	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri. Feb. 24. 12.30 p.m.
via Marseilles-due Marseilles, 22nd March	Reg.	Fri. Feb. 24. 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Shantung	Fri. Feb. 24. 3 p.m.
Swatow and Foochow	Italian	Fri. Feb. 24. 3 p.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Papers Santhia and Parcels for Calcutta).	Parcels	Fri. Feb. 24. 5.00 p.m.
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For	Per	Date and Time.
Haiiphong	Esang	Sat. Feb. 25. 1 p.m.
Shanghai	Husimi Maru Sat.	Feb. 25. 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Talnan	Sat. Feb. 25. 3.30 p.m.
Manila and Naples-due Naples, Conte Blancmanno	Sat.	Feb. 25. 4.30 p.m.
20th March.	Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central Pres. Taft	Sat. Feb. 25.
and South America and (Papers only for Canada) via San Francisco-due San Francisco, 16th March.	Parcels	Sat. Feb. 25. 2 p.m.
	Reg.	Sat. Feb. 25. 3.45 p.m.
	Ord.	Sat. Feb. 25. 4.30 p.m.

Sunday

Swatow and Shanghai

Yusung

Sun. Feb. 26. 9 a.m.

Monday

Swatow, Saigon and Bangkok

Kuigan

Mon. Feb. 27. 10.30 a.m.

Amoy and Chuenchow

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Mon. Feb. 27. 10.30 a.m.

Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"-due London, 6th March.

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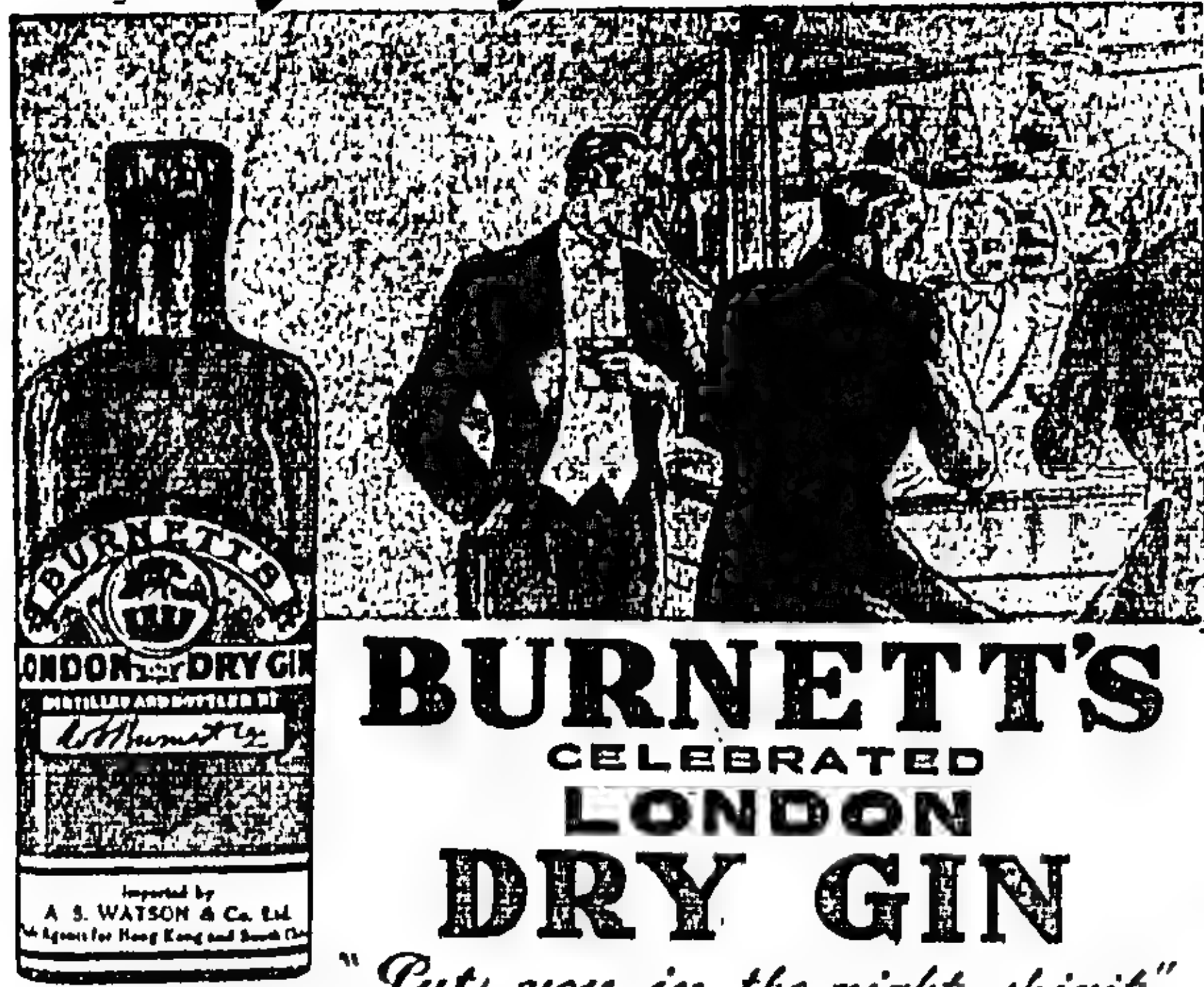
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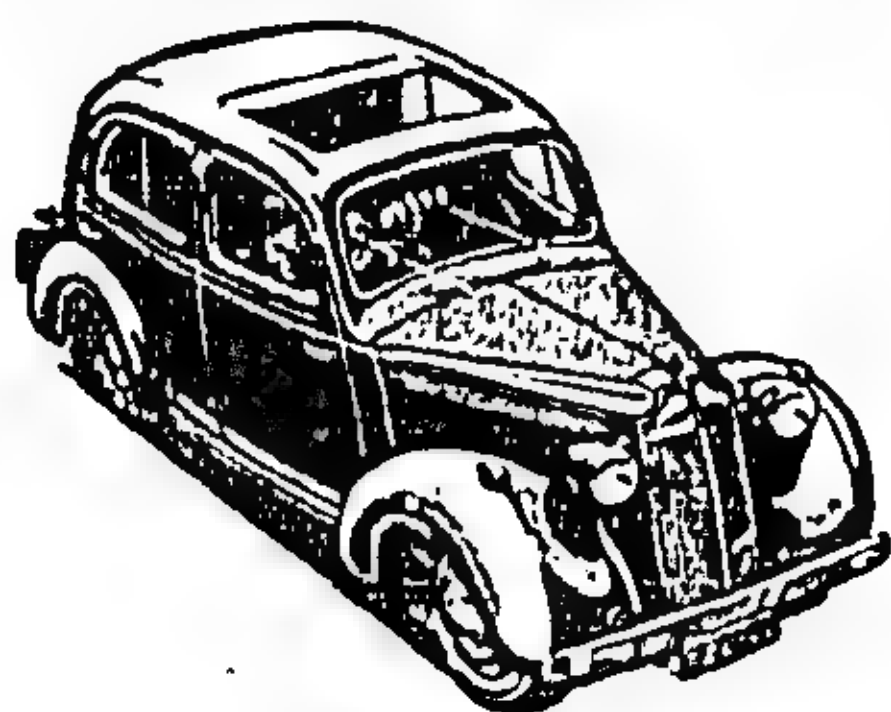
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Telling Japan

HASTILY, Japan has now apologized for the violation of Hongkong territory, has promised indemnification for the dead and wounded.

What happened in Tokyo yesterday to bring forth this quick manifestation of penitence after the almost contemptuous way the affair was treated on Tuesday and Wednesday?

We know that the Japanese War Office on Wednesday afternoon issued an entirely untruthful version of the incident, in which it claimed that only one plane had violated British territory and that only one bomb had been dropped. The communiqué, again untruthfully, claimed that an apology had also been made to His Excellency the Governor in Hongkong.

Yesterday's apology comes from the Japanese Foreign office with a celerity that has been equalled only by the apology for the bombing and sinking of the U.S.S. Panay. It occurred after the Japanese Foreign Minister had received a visit from the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie.

It emphasises the world that exists between Japan's civil administration and its armed force. No one believes that the Japanese Government wants these perpetual demands for apologies that have brought upon it the contempt of the civilized world. But the Japanese Government has far less control over its Army and Navy than has the Shanghai Municipal Council over its terrorists. It must go on apologising as its irresponsible militarists go on creating incidents, with the fear ever present that one day in the not-so-distant future, there will come an incident that will not be answerable by an apology.

Despite the alacrity with which Japan has apologised in the present instance, it is possible that the incident is far from closed. Great Britain, it is believed in London, is preparing to follow its formal protest with the despatch of the bluntest Note she has addressed to Japan since the conflict in China started nearly two years ago.

It will probably also in diplomatic language that Great Britain will not stand by if the irresponsible militarists who really control Japan's policy continue to deliberately encroach further and further on our rights and violate our privileges.

Britain, this time, may mean business.

Insofar as Hongkong is concerned, we would like to see the Japanese publicly warned, as the Spanish insurgents were warned by France, that any future acts of violence in our territory will be met with violence. On the occasion of the first violation of Hongkong territory this warning was, we understand, conveyed to the Japanese commanders verbally. That, apparently, was insufficient.

At the
Tomb of Lenin

by HUGH DALTON, M.P.

FIFTEEN years ago, Lenin died. To his Tomb, in the Red Square of Moscow, pilgrims come from all over the Soviet Union, and from all the ends of the earth. In homely words, literally true, they "come to see Lenin."

The Tomb is fashioned of great slabs of the most beautiful marble, from the Urals and the Ukraine, all red, though with rich variety of shade and grain. The roof is flat and all the outer surfaces are smooth, free of all ornamental fuss.

Two young soldiers of the Red Army stand on guard at the entrance, and two more in the chamber within, a little below the level of the ground, where Lenin's body lies embalmed, under a high glass case, lit by a mellow golden light diffused from above.

Behind this perfectly proportioned Mausoleum rises the high wall of the Kremlin, over which flies the Red Flag, floodlit at night. It is a magnificently theatrical scene.

I saw Lenin in August, 1932. I gazed into the peaceful face, tired but content, and marvelled at the little shapely hands, folded on a cloth of purple and black.

A few days later I also heard Lenin. His voice was high-pitched and insistent, speaking on a gramophone record in the flat of Sokolnikov, the Ambassador whom Moscow sent to London in response to Arthur Henderson's invitation in 1929, and whom Moscow sentenced, in 1937, to ten years' imprisonment, as a member of the so-called "anti-Soviet Trotskyite centre."

LENIN was a very great man. In critical days his personal intervention changed the course of history. But for him there would have been no Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

It, in 1917, his opponents in Russia had prevailed, a general break-up of that vast country would probably have followed, under weak and indecisive Liberal Governments, drifting into a welter of reactionary chaos.

Lenin's greatness lay, not in his theoretical argumentations, but in his practical genius as a man of

action. He was a first-class politician, a superb tactician, a constructive Socialist of immense courage and imaginative insight. His books are dull, but his acts were thrilling.

When he died, he had laid the foundations of the first large-scale Socialist Commonwealth in the history of mankind. He bequeathed to the Russian people an unprecedented opportunity to build, on these foundations, a happy, free, prosperous, classless society of equals, and, by the force of their example and the visible success of their experiment, to convert the rest of the world to Socialism.

SINCE then fifteen years have passed. The unprecedented opportunity is still there, waiting to be realised. Lenin, I think, would contemplate with mixed feelings the Soviet Union of to-day.

In its official foreign policy the Soviet Government has set an admirable example to us all. Of all the Great Powers it has been the most loyal member of the

League of Nations, the most clear-sighted and outspoken supporter of the principle of Collective Security. Maxim Litvinov, the proponent of the indivisibility of peace, has been an outstanding figure at Geneva. In March, 1938, after the seizure of Austria, he urged an international conference to determine ways and means of preventing the repetition of such an event.

His proposal was rejected by Britain and France, and a repetition came in September. We now await, with growing apprehension, the next repetition.

On the other hand, the unofficial foreign policy of the Comintern, for which the Soviet Government, not quite convincingly, denies responsibility, has been consistently stupid and vexatious.

Guided by doctrinaire ignorance of political conditions abroad, it has multiplied ill-judged manoeuvres and fomented damaging divisions within the Socialist and Trade Union movements in many countries. It did much to help the triumph of Mussolini in Italy and of Hitler in Germany.

It has furnished a convenient pretext for the creation of the so-

called Anti-Comintern Pact, which is in reality an anti-German, anti-British, anti-French, anti-Russian and anti-American combination.

Communist irritants, in this country, have constantly antagonized the Labour Movement and stood in the way of whole-hearted friendly co-operation with the Soviet Union. It would be an act of practical wisdom, worthy of the successors of Lenin, now to dissolve the Comintern, and many of its constituent parties, including the British.

Of the internal record of the Soviet Union, part would have delighted Lenin, but part would have disappointed him.

THE audacious conception of the series of Five-Year Plans, the planning away of unemployment, the liberation of the Soviet economy from the booms and slumps of the capitalist outer world, and of Soviet foreign trade from dependence on capitalist credit—all these are striking contributions to practical Socialist economics.

But, on the other hand, there are dark shadows in the picture. In agriculture and transport, in particular, there is evidence of grave and persistent mismanagement, often mis-called "sabotage."

Moreover, in the last few years, there has been increasing difficulty in obtaining accurate, first-hand information.

There has been a surprising and unexplained decrease in facilities for visiting the Soviet Union. In London, Soviet visas were scarcely to be had last year. Nor are Soviet citizens yet permitted to travel freely abroad.

The new democratic constitution exists only on paper, and the pressure of the Dictatorship on the individual seems not to be relaxed. The Soviet emblems to-day are not only a hammer and a sickle, but a gigantic question mark. What is really going on inside that closed community? And what is the direction of movement?

YET three dominant impressions remain.

Planned Socialism, even though the planners have sometimes miscalculated, and even though they have to work in very difficult conditions, has great accomplishments to its credit.

The Soviet Dictatorship, whatever may be said in criticism of it, holds more possibility of peace than do other contemporary Dictatorships.

And, finally, the Soviet Union, in sharp distinction from these other Dictatorships, is a force for Peace in international relations. It plots no wars of aggression against its neighbours. It is a defensive, not an offensive, force.

For this reason, above all, it has been one of the most criminal follies of British foreign policy since 1931 not to co-operate more closely with this most peaceful Great Power. It is not yet quite too late—though the sands are fast running out—to repair this folly.

Finance Juggler No. 1

HJALMAR HORACE GREELEY SCHACHT has been Germany's nearest financial acrobat. He made his name in the 1923 collapse of the mark when it needed thousands of millions of marks to buy a single loaf of bread.

Schacht was made president of the Reichsbank, founded a new currency and announced that people would be given one new mark in exchange for every 1,000,000,000,000 old ones.

In those days he was a democrat, a man of the Left. His first job had been tutoring the sons of a Jewish banker. From that he had risen slowly to be partner in the firm of

Jacob Goldschmidt, the well-known Jewish banker.

But as years went by, Schacht changed. As president of the Reichsbank he dropped his Liberal ideas and enjoyed picturing himself as the mouthpiece of big finance.

In 1929 he resigned from the Reichsbank because the League conference decided to make Germany go on paying reparations.

He retired to his country estate at Guehen, near Berlin. "I sit still and raise pigs." He became fiercely anti-Socialist. The Nazis began to cast their eyes on him.

When they came to power in January, 1933, they called him back to his old job at the Reichsbank. They made him Minister of Eco-

nomics, too. He became Germany's economic dictator.

So the ex-democrat trimmed himself to suit the Nazis. He had been a keen freemason, but he resigned his membership when the Nazis started putting freemasons in concentration camps. It has been Schacht's wizardry that has stopped Germany going bankrupt—as any "orthodox" country would have done years ago if it had been conducting itself as Nazi Germany has done.

Schacht invented the system of prospering on debts. He likes to owe everybody something. Then he can threaten them—"We shan't pay you back unless..."

In that way many of the small countries of Europe have taken their orders from him.

So has clamped on Germany a rigid financial control. There is no free buying and selling of marks, as there is of pounds or francs. So Schacht has been able to give Germany the advantage of being both on and off the gold standard.

But he has ridden unseemly. He has never got on with the Nazi extremists. Several times he has appealed for clemency towards the Jews. He found world horror at the pogroms prevented people from buying German goods.

In November, 1937, the extreme Nazis managed to rob Schacht of the Ministry of Economics. Dr. Funk, a real Nazi Party man, took over the job.

Now Schacht, 63 years old, with his tall, starched collar, his snub nose, his parting in the middle of his hair, his tooth-brush moustache, goes altogether. Perhaps there is now a little irony about the middle names his peasant parents gave him. Horace Greeley was the American editor who originated the slogan, "Go West, Young Man!"

Herr Dr. Funk, 49 years old, an ex-journalist, stout and swarthy, Goering's "Yes-man," steps eagerly into Dr. Schacht's shoes.

Church Service
Banned

A PROPOSED Holy Communion service for Anglicans and Nonconformists, to be conducted by a woman minister, has been cancelled.

The minister was to have been the Rev. Hilda Peppman, who has had charge of a Congregational Church at Newhaven.

The service was planned to take place at Ridley Hall, Cambridge, during the conference of the Society for the Ministry of Women—an inter-denominational body.

"NOT AUTHORISED" Ridley Hall is a Church of England theological college for the instruction of ordinands; the chapel is licensed by the Bishop of Ely, but not consecrated.

The Bishop of Ely said "The proposed service was not authorised by me, and I should not be able to authorise it. A service to be attended by Anglicans and Free Church people would be irregular from the point of view of the Church of England."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Out of hairpins again—how in thunder do you expect me to clean my pipe?"

W.S.

SHUM-CHUN BOMBING: RELIEF MEASURES NOW IN FULL SWING

THE SCOPE of the work undertaken by Government to deal with refugee, relief and medical exigencies occasioned by the bombing of Lowu and Shum Chun on Tuesday, is indicated by the following report submitted by the Director of Medical Services, Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, to H.E. the Governor.

The Director proceeded to the Shum Chun Refugee Camp on Tuesday morning to re-assure the refugees there that arrangements were being made immediately for their shelter and feeding at the Fanling Railway Camps, and to ascertain the position with regard to casualties. The majority of the refugees had already made their escape and were scattered along the road and railway between Shum Chun and Sheung Shui. Police co-operated in directing them to Fanling North Camp, which was full by 9 p.m., and the surplus were directed to South Camp, which filled up during the evening.

Dr. Selwyn-Clarke gave instructions to Mr. Key Lee the contractor, who, despite the day being a holiday festival and the markets consequently being closed, contrived to serve one hot meal that evening to 3,000 refugees. The Director also arranged with the Water and Sanitary authorities to put in a service, which was done by the evening of the same day.

Preparations were made for permanent medical posts at the Camps and at the Government Welfare Centre (Lady Ho Tung) near Dill's Camp.

Night in Compound
The majority of the one thousand refugees who had been cared for by the World Red Swastika Society at Shum Chun Camp, were grouped that evening in a large compound at Fanling, since only a few hundreds could be accommodated in South Camp. Many of this party had been transported to Fanling by Mr. F. W. Kendall, attached to the Medical Department, in the Red Cross truck lent by the National Chinese Red Cross Society. The excess refugees from this number were accommodated subsequently in Gill's Cutting Camp, trucks having been kindly placed there by the manager of the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

About 80 refugees found their way to Pat Heung Camp where they were admitted.

Meanwhile, a ward was cleared at the Kowloon Hospital to receive the wounded. Seventeen were admitted on Tuesday—two dying of their wounds the same day—and 29 were admitted temporarily to tents at the Kwong Wah Hospital by 9 p.m., two of them dying of wounds. Those cases that could stand the journey were subsequently transferred to Kowloon Hospital at Lai Chi Kok. Relief Hospital at the Kwong Wah was already overcrowded.

At 4 p.m. on Tuesday there were still 14 wounded waiting to be taken to hospital while more were being found under the debris of Shum Chun Village. Adequate arrangements were made, however, for their treatment in Kowloon and there was no cause for concern on this ground. With the approval of Government, the Medical Department immediately instituted the rapid erection of additional shelters for some 1,500—2,000 refugees from Shum Chun Village and neighbourhood along Mankanto Road (between the International Bridge and Sheung Shui) with latrines, kitchens, and water supply.

Attempt to Escape
The report states that from information from certain casualties, it appeared that the inmates of the Refugee Camp at the Casino, tried to escape by the railway line and by the temporary wooden bridge across the river when the aeroplanes began their attack.

From the observation of the Director of Medical Services himself, a bomb was dropped 150 to 200 yards from the Casino on the south end of the Chinese section of the Shumchun Railway Station, killing two men and a woman, on whose bodies he saw undoubted evidence of wounding by pieces of the bomb. The bomb must have been of comparatively light calibre since the hole made in the cobble platform was only two feet deep by three and a half feet in diameter.

A second light bomb was dropped near the Casino, about 150 yards to the west on British territory across the stream. The spread of this bomb must have been remarkable for Dr. Selwyn-Clarke was informed by doctors of the World Swastika Society—whose surgery was in direct view that it killed six and wounded several refugees who had crossed the temporary bridge from the Camp, and were making their way into Hongkong. Five of the bodies had already been exhumed, but the sixth, which was seen by the Director was that of a boy of nine whose right leg had been completely removed.

The same doctors also stated that about 20 other refugees had been wounded by the bomb and by machine-gun bullets in the same field in British territory. The names of the witnesses had been recorded.

Communique Issued
A message from the Medical Department yesterday gave the following information.

On Tuesday afternoon the two railway camps, north and south of Fanling Station were re-opened by the Government Medical Department to shelter some two thousand odd refugees who had been accommodated previously at the border incident in the Shum Chun Refugee Camp. Medical and sanitary services were immediately instituted at the camps and the refugees were given a hot meal at 7 p.m. on the same day. Special arrangements were made for the care of maternity cases at the

Government (Lady Ho Tung) Welfare Centre, Fanling, on Tuesday. On the following day a third camp was re-opened by Government at Gill's Cutting. These camps now hold a total of 2,507 persons.

Approval of Government has been obtained for a fourth camp which is now in course of erection along the Mankanto Road for some 2,000 or more refugees at present without shelter in that neighbourhood.

Observers were impressed with the orderly way in which the refugees travelled from the border to the Government refugee camps, and tribute is due to the Police Department for their excellent organisation in this respect.

The Casualties
On the day of the incident some 67 wounded were admitted to the hospitals in Kowloon (not including 17 who were treated as out-patients), only one case being admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital. Three of the cases admitted to hospital had been wounded in British territory; the remainder were from the neighbourhood of Shum Chun Station, the Casino and Refugee Camp and Shum Chun Village. Many were transferred from the St. John Ambulance Association Hospital and First Aid Post in the Casino and from the First Aid Post manned by the Hongkong Red Swastika Society.

Six of those wounded in Chinese territory died after arrival at the Kowloon and Kwong Wah Hospitals, and this number of deaths has to be added to the twelve who were killed or died of wounds in British territory in the neighbourhood of the British post at Lo Wu Bridge.

There remain at the moment some 28 wounded under care at the Kowloon Hospital, 24 at Lai Chi Kok Relief Hospital, three at Kwong Wah Hospital and one at the Queen Mary Hospital, making a total of 34.

Special measures are having to be taken to prevent the introduction of small-pox into these territories as a number of cases of the disease have been discovered amongst those crossing into the New Territories from Kowloon.

REFUGEE CAMP FIGURES
The comparative figures given below represent the number of refugees accommodated in camps in the Colony, but since they were calculated, Fanling North, Fanling South and Gill's Cutting Camps have been opened in addition to the shelters now being erected on Mankanto Road as a result of the Japanese bombing raid on Tuesday. More than the 2,000 refugees from the Casino Camp have, therefore, to be added to the figures.

Refugees and destitutes in urban and rural area Government camps for the week ending February 18, figures for the week ending February 11 in brackets, were:

Urban Areas: (i) Civilians.—King's Park 1,393 (1,425); Ma Tau Chung 621 (534); North Point 1,602 (1,618); (ii) Soldiers.—Lai Chi Kok Hospital 1,000 (782); Ma Tau Chung 780 (782).

Rural Areas: Civilians.—Kam Tin 2,583 (2,584).

Total.—6,990 (6,964).

It is anticipated that with refugees from Shum Chun more or less permanently settled in refugee camps in the New Territories, the number there will be in the vicinity of 10,000.

Spain
FRANCO WINS AGAIN
Recognition To Be Unconditional

Paris, Feb. 23.
It is believed that France's recognition of General Franco, decision on which is expected to be taken by the Cabinet on Saturday, will be granted unconditionally.—Reuter.

Recognition Certain
Burgos, Feb. 23.
It is generally held here that the French Government has now resolved on according an unconditional recognition to the insurgent Government. After this recognition has been given, French claims and proposals will be made the subject of new negotiations. The comment of Spanish quarters is that the de jure recognition by France will be followed immediately by that of Britain.

Meeting Next Week
Paris, Feb. 23.
Although the actual recognition of the insurgent Government is expected to occur before the end of the week, any resumption of diplomatic relations will apparently not be decided upon until the French Cabinet meets early next week.

The resumed conversations which Leon Berard will have with Count Jordana this afternoon will, it is understood, concern merely the formalities of recognition.

Senator Berard, says the *Matin*, has been invested with full authority for bringing the conversation to a conclusion. Trans-Ocean.

Azana's Resignation
Paris, Feb. 23.
A Cabinet Council, which it is believed will finally decide the question of the recognition of General

Francisco, will be held on Monday afternoon.

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Japanese And Shanghai

Indignant Homeside Press Comments

London, Feb. 23.
Newspaper comments all reveal indignation at Japanese pretensions to greater control of the International Settlement, emphasising that the Japanese themselves are primarily responsible for the murders because of the breakdown of law and order and the general absence of control in the "hinterlands."

The Times states: "The Japanese, alarmed and disconcerted by the death rate among their hirelings, who are naturally regarded as traitors by patriotic Chinese, are now making dire threats to the Shanghai Municipal Council, which they accuse of incompetence and insincerity. They latter charge is ironic, seeing that the Japanese maintain and instigate within the International Settlement their own organisation of Chinese terrorists."

"It will also be recalled that on more than one occasion officers of the Imperial Army, both in uniform and in disguise, have broken into the Settlement and committed acts of hoodlumism. It is greatly to the credit of the municipal authorities, who at no time received the co-operation of the Japanese, that the murders are sporadic and not wholesale."

"If the Japanese took over control of the Settlement, Shanghai would be a state of chaos within a week."

The Manchester Guardian states: "The Municipal Council can in no way be blamed. Their police, as tough and experienced as any in the world, together with the volunteer force, have done a magnificent job in preventing rioting and strife. Numbers of Japanese disguised as Chinese terrorists and acting as provocative agents have been discovered and returned to headquarters with a polite request to keep out of the Settlement. To send Japanese soldiers into the Settlement to act as police would certainly cause a serious crisis."

**SETTLEMENT IN STATE OF
VIRTUAL ANARCHY**
Tokyo, Feb. 23.

"The International Settlement in Shanghai is virtually in a state of anarchy," declared Mr. Morito Morishima, Counsellor of the Japanese Embassy in China, who arrived here from Shanghai on Wednesday to submit reports on the latest developments to the Foreign Minister.

"It is due to the insincere attitude of the Municipal Council that not a single culprit has so far been arrested. This fact is almost tantamount to connivance at the assassination of pro-Japanese Chinese leaders," Mr. Morishima continued.

"The assassins active in Shanghai include members of the Blue Shirt Society and the C.C. Society who are acting on secret orders from Chiang Kai-shek, Communist elements and members of other secret societies."

"Despite the evident fact that these ruffians maintain their headquarters in the International Settlement, the Municipal Council is trying to explain it by connecting the terrorism with the gambling dens and opium stores."

"It is not going too far to say that the International Settlement is at present in a state of anarchy," Counsellor Morishima continued. "Pointing out that order was completely established in the Hongkew side of the Settlement assigned to the Japanese Naval Landing Party, Mr. Morishima urged the necessity of establishing fundamental policies for restoring 'a bright atmosphere' in Shanghai."

He expects to return to Shanghai in a few days after finishing necessary arrangements with the Government leaders.—Domei.

France, will be held on Monday afternoon.

A rumour that President Azana will resign in the course of to-day continues to circulate persistently in French political circles, despite a statement of the Spanish Embassy that all the rumours about Dr. Azana's intentions were pure speculation.

The Paris edition of the *New York Herald-Tribune* affirms that Dr. Azana will be informed by the French and British Governments 24 hours before their recognition of General Franco is announced. This step is intended, in order to give Dr. Azana time to prepare a proclamation to the Spanish nation informing the latter of his intention to resign.—Trans-Ocean.

Recognition of Franco
London, Feb. 23.

Simultaneous recognition of General Franco by Great Britain and France within the next day or two is the generally accepted view of diplomatic correspondents in this morning's papers.—Reuter.

FURTHER RECOGNITION
Burgos, Feb. 23.

It is officially stated that Turkey is according full recognition to General Franco's Government.—Reuter Bulletin.

Japan

CHINA DEVELOPMENT PLANS REVEALED IN DIET DEBATES

TOKYO, Feb. 23.
VARIOUS PROBLEMS relating to the development of China, including the construction of the Greater Shanghai Municipality, were brought up for discussions in the House of Representatives yesterday.

Mr. Toyochichi Toyoda (Minseito) asked whether the gigantic plan for constructing "a new Shanghai" was conducted by the Shanghai Realty Company.

Mr. Shinroku Hidaka, chief of the Economic Department of the China Affairs Board, who was formerly the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai, said that the city construction plan for Shanghai was conducted by the Reformed Government with the co-operation of Japanese organs. With the construction of an ideal city in Shanghai as the ultimate objective, actual works would be carried out in conformity with the existing conditions.

Questioned as to the present status of the inland river navigation, Mr. Hidaka replied that the Inland River Steamship Company, with its small capital, was advancing its enterprises steadily. With the steady restoration of peace and order, the Company would extend its business to the estuary of the Yangtze or near the sea.

Questioned regarding the capitalisation of various subsidiaries of the Central China Rehabilitation Company, Mr. Hidaka said that all subsidiaries were established with Shintoistic stocks. He looked forward to greater co-operation by Chinese capital in future.

Mr. Toyoda then asked what were the actual results of the plan for inviting third Power capital. Mr. Hidaka said that participation by third Power capital would be welcomed provided the third Powers interested understood the "new situation" properly.

Control of Factories
The interpellator then asked for what purpose the military authorities exercised control over factories in China. The War Minister, General Itagaki, replied that military control of factories was inspired for various reasons. He pointed out that in some cases the troops took over temporary control of the factories in the occupied area because it was not pertinent to abandon them in the light of the maintenance of peace and order. As the Development Company advanced its business management of these factories would gradually be transferred to it.

In other cases the factories were managed by the troops with the object of supplying necessary materials to the front on the spot.

Mr. Toyoda asked a question in connection with the development of harbours in North China, and Lieutenant-General Heisuke Yanagawa, Vice-President of the China Affairs Board, replied that although they were at present managed by various organs, their management would eventually be unified and coordinated.

Mr. Toyoda then asked what was meant by "effective and adequate steps" which Foreign Office officials referred to regarding the question of maintaining peace and order in the International Settlement in Shanghai. The Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, refused to disclose their "definite nature" pending the progress of negotiations.

The interpellator then said that it was "absolutely necessary" to wipe out guerrillas and secure peace and order for the development of industries in China. He asked the Government what plan it had under contemplation for this purpose.

The War Minister replied that the Japanese forces in the occupied areas were continuing activity with the preservation of peace and order as their "first objective."

"With a limited number of troops, it will not serve to station them at random. It is necessary, therefore, to concentrate on points appointed in consideration of military and other circumstances. It is also the policy of the Army to give preference in stationing troops to such districts where they will be necessary for the developments of industries."—Domei.

Morris Motors Enterprise

London, Feb. 23.
The directors of Morris Motors, Oxford, have backed their belief in "a renewed prosperity" by sanctioning the expenditure of three and a quarter million pounds on production materials.

The new huge outlay by Morris Motors has been necessitated by the great increase in orders, which for the period from September to January are 18,000 up on the previous year.

All the assembly lines have been speeded up and in many shops overtime is being worked.

The directors' decision will mean work for thousands in all parts of the country.

"The confidence in the return of an era of renewed prosperity lies behind the decision," an official of the company said.

Spelling Bee
HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

arnica pollution
aragon strategem
aroma pollution
English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 9.

Shanghai

YANGTSE SHIPPING PROTEST

Shanghai, Feb. 23.
At the instance of the Japanese Naval authorities, Mr. Yoshitaki Mura, the Japanese Consul-General here, yesterday lodged protests with the British and Norwegian Consulates-General with regard to the alleged infringement of the Yangtze shipping regulations by British and Norwegian steamers.

Two British steamers, the *Talung* and the *Kungho*, on February 12 received certificates issued by the Reformed Government from the local Peace Maintenance Society at Hupukow, about 60 miles above Shanghai, to ship rice to Shanghai. Without carrying the cargoes originally registered, it is alleged, the two steamers transferred their goods to the s.s. *Soochow*, also a British steamer, and the s.s. *Darbur*, a Norwegian freighter, moored beside them. The *Soochow* then headed for Swatow, while the Norwegian ship proceeded to an unknown destination.

On February 15, the s.s. *Rathan*, a British-chartered freighter, also took in a cargo of rice and proceeded to an unknown destination it is alleged.

In their representations yesterday, the Japanese naval authorities warned that in the event of similar occurrence in future, they would be obliged to take "effective and adequate" measures.—Domei.

United States

RIOTS AT LOS ANGELES

2,000 Anti-Nazi Demonstrate

Los Angeles, Feb. 23.
Police riot squads equipped with tear gas dispersed a bolsterous demonstration of more than 2,000 anti-Nazis protesting against the Washington birthday rally of the German American Bund at the local Deutscheshaus yesterday.

The demonstrators sent volleys of vegetables and stones and it is reported that several were slightly injured. Tear gas was not used, despite the Bund leader's threat to order uniformed Storm Troopers to break up the demonstration if the police were unsuccessful in dispersing the crowd.

The riot sounds escorted several Bunders, including women, to safety, while about 300 others continued singing and drinking beer until the early morning, although stones were crashing in through the windows.

The crowd, angered by the presence of the leader of the Bund at the entrance to the Deutscheshaus, began hurling rotten vegetables and stones, yelling "Down with Hitler! Down with Fascism!" while sound trucks patrolled the streets and a loudspeaker blared similar sentiments.

Herman Schwinn, radio director of the Bund, told the press, "We are not worried. If the police cannot clear the street we will clear it ourselves."

The police stated that the attack was led by members of the socialist Workers' Party and the Young People's Socialist Union. There was sporadic street fighting between the departing Bund members and the anti-Nazis. Two Bund members are reported to have been struck on the head with stones.

Several clubs were found in the street this morning and the entrance to the Bund hall was piled high with rotten vegetables.—United Press.

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ANNUAL RACING CARNIVAL TO OPEN TO-MORROW

FIELDS LIKELY TO BE BIGGER: MORE GRIFFINS TO TAKE PART

(By "Captain Foster")

To-morrow at 11 a.m. sharp the Hongkong Jockey Club will ring the first saddling bell announcing the opening of their 1939 racing season. The Annual Carnival will be continued on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, terminating next Saturday. The meet has been awaited by the regular followers of the turf with the greatest enthusiasm, owing to the fact that the number of this season's griffins, both Australian and Chinese, is higher than that of last year and big fields will be expected every day.

There is no doubt that all means of access to the racetrack will be heavily taxed and it can be safely said that we shall see one of the biggest crowds ever assembled at Happy Valley on Monday on account of the popularity manifested in the special dollar cash sweep on the Hongkong Derby.

There are the usual 12 events on the first four days of racing, but only nine races will be contested on the fifth day. Those who are not fortunate enough to attend the meeting before lunch are reminded that the sixth race on the first four days of racing is timed to run off at 3.00 p.m. after the tiffin interval.

GREATER STAKE MONEY

A most interesting feature of the programme is the general increase in the stake money all round and the running of the Wong-Mel-Chong Stakes in three divisions (as against two of last year) is an innovation owing to the increase of subscribers for China ponies.

These sub-griffins races are very popular and the best gambling events among the punters, for the turning up of an unknown means a big pay-out. It is obvious that the condition of an animal plays an important part, but the worst period to train is undoubtedly during the winter months and it will be recalled that this year's batch of China ponies was delivered to their respective owners only a few days before Christmas. In the circumstances all have no more than two months' preparation for the five days of racing and it would be interesting to know how many of them could maintain their form throughout the meeting. Credit must, of course, be given to all the Chinese and Russian trainers, who have brought up their charges to a state of racing condition, but some barings (no matter what kind of training) will never come up to concert pitch as we all know that the trainers cannot manufacture speed.

SPLENDID GALLOPS BY CHINA PONIES

Last Saturday there were fireworks by the China steeds, especially by Magog, owned by Mrs. B. Hall, and Millicy, belonging to John Peel.

GLEANNINGS FROM THE RACE TRACK

For the time being the Rooter-Hill Derby appears to be an open event, but I still fancy Ruby Star and Chiltern, but we will get a better time to-morrow after the running of the Sydney Maiden Stakes. I will not say that I was deeply impressed with the track performance of Luffat that's center over the Derby course in 3.22 last Saturday, but the mare seemed to love the jaunt. I must, however, join in the chorus that the prospect of Luffat that is not to be laughed at, for the mare has a sensitive mouth and she is a nice mover.

Punters will be glad to learn that we have a good supply of training jockeys, Messrs. F. Marshall, R. B. Moller and J. Pote-Hunt being the latest arrivals from the north. Messrs. P. L. Chiu and T. Y. Wouh (brother of Mr. Y. K. Wouh) are making their debut and both of them are good riders.

I sincerely trust that readers will appreciate the fact that it is not an easy job to give tips as practically all the ponies have two or more engagements per day at the Annual Race Meeting and therefore, the task of ascertaining where they are going to start has always been a hard subject for racing writers. The declaration of running a pony in a race for which it has been entered is made on the day of the meeting at least 45 minutes before the time stated in the programme and in the circumstances there is no other recourse left than to employ horse-sense to the best of one's knowledge.

The Grand Stand and all the private boxes have had a good "clean up" and there is as usual a lovely display of seasonal and beautiful flowers on the lawns. The arrangement, especially in front of the weighing room, is really artistic.

Doubts Still Exist Over Rose Elect But "Capt. Foster" Thinks She Will Win The Derby

There is still a division in the Happy Valley camp over Rose Elect's prospect of capturing the Blue Ribband, one section of the touts being of the opinion that the mare cannot last the full distance. The Hongkong Derby, which ranks as the most exclusive test and strain over 1½ miles, will be celebrating its 67th running on February 27 and the first prize of the special dollar cash sweep, which has reached the colossal sum of \$50,000, will be worth over \$200,000 to the lucky driver of the first pony. This, in my opinion, will be either Hyndford Bridge, Navylight or Rose Elect. The order named by the writer is not to be understood that they will cross the winning post in that position, but they have only been arranged alphabetically.

I may be accused of trying to elevate Rose Elect as high as the Victoria Peak, but I made up my mind long ago and I cannot, although my eyes are not like those of Argus, see anything to beat Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate, Hyndford Bridge. Navylight will probably follow in the rear. If Mr. Clerk of the Weather will give us a little bit of the blue sky, the Hongkong Derby will be run in record time and I am afraid that the champion Silkyllight will meet his Waterloo in the winner of this year's big classic event.

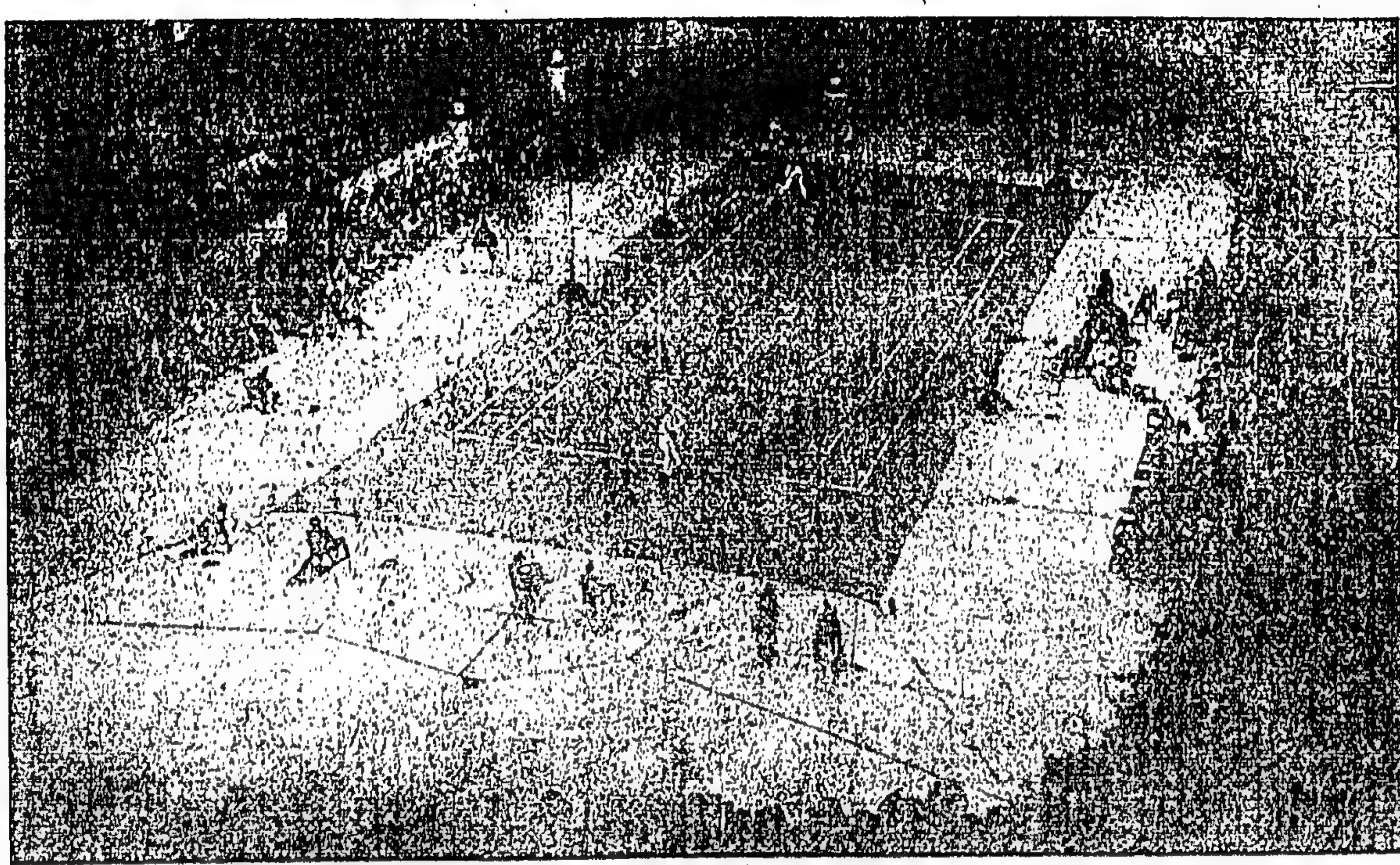
The former, with Mr. Needa up, and the latter, ridden by a small Russian boy from Mr. Pearce's stable, were shown over the champion course and they took just a fifth of a second inside two minutes 50 seconds to complete the circle—which was, without any question of doubt, a grand performance.

Hardly had the early birds got over this astounding gallop than Orange Boven, piloted by Mr. Encarnacao, and Sports Venture, steered by Mr. Poy, entertained the full crowd with a fast outing over a mile in 2.15 flat, romping home in 1½ seconds the last quarter. Musketeer (the property of Chiu brothers), who has been considered after the draw as the best fower of the flock, has to be in a fine fettle to stem off the claim of these four candidates for first place in the Valley Stakes, which by the way is celebrating its 63rd birthday to-morrow.

I have a short memory, but I believe Mrs. B. Hall, who owns Gog and Magog, is making her debut as an owner and it is to be hoped that she will be blessed with beginner's luck which is very essential in racing. Her husband, Mr. F. C. Hall, who has now an interest in the John Peel stable, had very good luck when he was racing on joint account with Sir William Shenton under the style of "F. C. Shenton" and it may be of interest to reveal that they were the only runner to annex the Wong-Mel-Chong Stakes (with The Quail) and the Valley Stakes (with The Grouse) in the same year. This was in 1931 and both China ponies were piloted by Mr. Leo Frost.

Following old custom the Hongkong Jockey Club will start the ball rolling this evening at the Club House, Happy Valley, when three Selling Lotteries will be conducted on the Valley Stakes, the Hongkong Derby and the Rooter-Hill Derby. The cost of a chance is \$5. It is open to members, their wives and friends, and all non-members must be introduced by a member and their names entered in the Visitors' Book. The drawing starts at 6 p.m. sharp and I am certain that there will be some brisk bidding.

Referee Stops Slaughter In Title Fight



Scene in Boston Garden where Don Budro, recently turned professional, scored his second straight victory over Ellsworth Vines by 6-3, 8-0, 6-4. A crowd of 6,980 watched the exhibition. On the previous evening, in New York, Budro had beaten Vines by 6-3, 8-4, 6-2.

ERIC BOON RETAINS HIS CROWN

Plucky Display By Danahar In Thrilling Bout

London, Feb. 23. At Harringay Arena to-night, 13,000 boxing enthusiasts saw Eric Boon retain the British light-weight title by beating Arthur Danahar in one of the most thrilling fights seen in Great Britain.

The referee stopped the bout in the fourteenth round. The fight was to be over 15 rounds.

Both fought tooth and nail after the eighth round, which was the crux of the whole fight. Until then, Danahar, boxing coolly and calmly in an old time British upright position, scored innumerable lefts and rights and was leading on points. Then suddenly Boon landed a hard right to the jaw, flooring Danahar for a count of nine.

The challenger rose but a right and a left floored him again for a count of nine. Although groggy, he just weathered the round.

AMAZING PLUCK

Then the fun began; and when the referee stopped the fight, Danahar had given an amazing example of his indomitable courage. He had been down seven times for counts of nine and one of three, while Boon himself had also been down, though he had partially slipped, for a count in the thirteenth round.

Even when the referee stopped the fight, Danahar had boxed as courageously and cleverly, although he was tottering round the ring and was almost out on his feet, that he was practically level on points with the champion.

After a cautious start, Danahar was boxing beautifully and had piled up points by winning four of the first seven rounds. From the eighth round onwards, it was a slugging match. Boon tried to take the advantage of Danahar's grogginess, but the latter fought back splendidly.

Boon's rights, however, were a telling factor and in the twelfth round he floored his opponent three for counts of nine, repeating the performance in the thirteenth.

After a hard right had floored Danahar, the referee stopped the fight.

BOON PLAYED CARDS!

Boon scaled 9 st. 8½ lbs. and Danahar 9 st. 8½ lbs.

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Very available seat had been sold, and thousands, who made last-minute applications for expensive ring-side seats, were refused.

Critics were of the opinion that the fight would finish by a knock-out before the ninth round. The majority of them favoured Boon's punch to beat Danahar's pluck, but the betting was even.

Danahar, who measures 5 ft. 8½ ins., had a four and a half inches height advantage, and also five inches in reach, which is 71 ins. Otherwise, the two youngsters were very evenly-matched.

The promoter, Mr. Syd Halls, today agreed to the fight being broadcast in view of the country-wide interest, though he was dissatisfied with the payment. The fight began at 9.30 p.m. G.M.T. —Reuter.

"CAPTAIN FOSTER" GOES OVER PROSPECTS IN EACH RACE

THERE will not be much of a swing in the opening chorus in the Fochow Cup, which is the first event on the card, confined to China ponies over the Derby course; and judging the list of entries, I do not expect to see a field of more than three runners. At any rate it will be an easy outing for Silkyllight to pick up the first prize stake money of \$750 to pay for his upkeep. Mr. Eric Moller's candidate has not been nominated for any other event on the first day and therefore his pony is a sure starter. King's Warden and Moonlight View should fill the minor positions.

The first public appearance of Derby griffins among the China ponies will be seen in the Maiden Stakes and it is going to be a fine sprint over six furlongs. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose Elect has not been nominated for any other event but this on the first day and his candidate has no opposition. The mare is certainly a flyer and should be going to be a hard race. King's Warden's record time of 1.24½ will be lowered. A good field is assured and we should see a good fight between Avon, Eve of Harvest, Jennifer, Lilliber and Peaceful View for second and third places. All these are speedy merchants and personally I like Avon and Peaceful View.

A BATCH of the Australian sub-griffins of this season will appear for the first time in the Sydney Maiden Stakes (First Section) and the run is over six furlongs. A lot depends upon the start and punters are advised not to overlook the position of the draw. Among the list of nominations drawn by the Stewards I look to me that the result of this contest will have a bearing in the Rooter-Hill Derby, for Chiltern, Cockler, Devonian, Ruby Star and Serenade are all in this section. However, Ruby Star is my fancy with Mrs. Eu Tong-sen's Chiltern and Lady Northcote's Devonian next.

THE China Stakes, which is a scramble for old China ponies from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards), has attracted 13 entries, but it is amusing to see the inclusion of Fel Ying ("D" class pony). What chance has he against such stalwarts as Bear Claw, Cameronian, Confusion Bay, Desert Chief etc? However, Eu's stable, Cameronian is undoubtedly a better runner than Desert Chief over a short distance and he has my vote to pass the post first. I may be wrong, but it appears to me that Confusion Bay is not the same animal as when I saw him running behind Silkyllight in the Autumn Champions. Mrs. Dunbar has two representatives in Bear Claw and Red Feather and the former should give a good account against Cameronian. Gladiator, Oak Bay and Soldier of Britain will have a good battle for third place.

THE first section of the Wong-Mel-Chong Stakes confined to China ponies subscription griffins of this meeting will no doubt bring out many starters. It is a sprint over half-a-mile. There are several medium-class runners (the good 'uns being reserved for the Valley

Stakes) such as Callentio, Gallant Marshal, Lambeth Bridge, Phoenix, Portrush, Ringmaster, Rose Day, Sea Chief, Silver Star, Tiger Eyes and West Lake in this division. It is reliably learned that Portrush, belonging to Mrs. Taggart, will be ridden by Mr. Encarnacao and he should therefore catch the judge's eyes first. Lambeth Bridge and West Lake should be well up at the finish.

IN the second section of the Wong-Mel-Chong Stakes it looks to me that there is nothing outstanding among the draw made by the Stewards and we shall certainly witness a fine scurry between Ascot Vale, Bressay, February Fourth, Gog, Guinness Time, Patriotic Day, Radium Star, and True Love. In my opinion the order of the finish should be Ascot Vale, Bressay and Patriotic Day.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The following are the teams specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

Home Winners	
Charlton	
Stoke	
Luton	
Queen's P.R.	
Reading	
Bradford C.	
Hull	
Stockport	
Optional Selections	
Sheffield U.	
West Bromwich	
Southend	
New Brighton	

The probable starters and jockeys are as follows:

PONY	JOCKEY
Avon	P. P. Botelho
Celtic Star	S. W. Fan
Chatterbox	B. L. Tao
Heedon	H. J. Kearne
Kut Cheung	T. Y. Wouh
Marksmen	Tang Man-wa
Millicy	V. Needa
Musketeer	S. C. Liang
National Honour	H. P. Chanson
Orange Boven	C. Encarnacao
Pawnee	P. Y. Wei
Sea Captain	B. Proulx
Sports Venture	F. Marshall
The Grey Tiger	H. C. Phi
This Time	J. Pote-Hunt
Tiny Tim	T. L. Wong
Wilber	D. Black

FOR the last few years the winners of the Valley Stakes did not eventually turn out to be the champion sub-griffins and there are a few ponies in the above list which I would like to see starting over a mile and upwards. However, it is rumoured that Chatterbox had done a "dark" gallop about a fortnight ago and it has been whispered to me that the chestnut gelding covered a mile in 2.13½ with a poor finish of 34 seconds for the last quarter. Last Wednesday the same pony went over the Valley Stakes distance in 1.30½, romping home in grand style and the Manetta stable has a good candidate for the classic. Kut Cheung and Wilber are trained by the same Russian boy, the latter having more speed for a mile and under and Wilber is dangerous. Without prejudice, Marksmen does not suit the riding of Mr. Tang Man-wa and should therefore be a change in the jockey, a small amount each way is worth the investment. In my mind Musketeer is only a sprinter and he has to be at his best to capture the Valley Stakes.

ORANGE BOVEN (Mr. Encarnacao up) belonging to the stable Hollandia is a better representative than what they had last Spring in Piet Hein, but I am inclined to believe that the pony is a distance runner. John Peel's Millicy has come on nicely and his performance over the champion course on the eve of the Chinese New Year in 2.49½ must be considered in weighing his

THE major race of the meeting will be the Valley Stakes for China ponies subscription griffins of this season over six furlongs and the second leg of the daily double is on this event. The winner of this important race is to receive \$1,250.

Golf Starting Times Announced

The following starting times at Fanling on Sunday are announced:

1st Course	2nd Course
9.10 H. N. Williamson, L. C. Pearce.	9.20 D. Forbes, P. Morrison.
9.24 W. J. S. Key, W. C. Shevan.	9.28 G. D. Nichol, R. L. S. Webb.
9.32 J. E. Jupp, A. S. Adamson.	9.36 J. K. Bousfield, L. A. R. Duncan.
9.40 P. Fox, T. Low.	9.44 S. H. Dodwell, K. S. Morrison.
9.48 L. R. Andriewes, I. H. Geare.	9.52 D. Forbes, P. Morrison.
9.56 P. S. Deane, E. T. McMillen.	10.00 A. N. and G. A. A. MacIndevan.
10.04 W. N. A. Stables, W. S. Hillier.	10.08 D. K. Hislop, N. L. Evans.
10.12 J. A. R. Selby, A. D. Humphreys.	10.20 G. C. Worrall, R. Young.
10.24 W. Sharp, A. A. Bremner.	10.28 T. F. R. Jackson, E. Laidlaw.
10.36 K. S. Robertson, S. C. Feilham.	10.44 C. H. Murray, N. J. Ferrin.
10.48 C. H. Murray, N. J. Ferrin.	10.56 I. H. C. Higgin, G. Riddell-Carre.
10.58 J. E. Richardson, R. M. Wood.	11.00 J. W. Hodges, J. Forbes.
11.02 S. J. H. Fox, C. M. Gee.	11.04 J. D. Danby, C. J. Clackett.
11.06 F. C. Young, J. S. Shirley.	
New Course	
9.24 J. W. Mayhew, H. Raider.	9.40 L. C. Chinn, J. S. Gunnnett.
9.48 L. M. S. and Mrs. L. M. S.	10.04 Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Hillier.
10.04 Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Hillier.	10.12 J. E. Jupp, A. S. Adamson.
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10.24 D. S. and Mrs. Edward.	10.36 J. M. Murray, Mrs. Perrin.
10.40 W. Bell, F. G. Maude.	11.00 Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Leighton.

chances. If Millicy does not finish among the first three in the Valley Stakes, then have your shirt on him on Monday. I will make my final selections to-morrow.

THE Trial Plate for China ponies bona fide griffins of the meeting is sure to draw out a candidate from each stable. Rose Elect has not been entered for this semi-classic and I have reason to believe that Bug Express will represent Mr. Eu Tong-sen's colours against Hyndford Bridge. Navylight, I understand, will be reserved for the Blue Ribband to be contested on Monday and in his absence Hyndford Bridge should have an easy passage. Conquering Time will no doubt come out to have a "go" and I like his chance for a place.

THE Curragh Handicap for "C" class China ponies over a mile has attracted 10 entries. Tampa Bay having been allotted the top weight. It will be recalled that the pony after passing the winning post first in the Forobello Handicap at the St. Andrew's meeting was disqualified for bumping and boring, but I think Tampa Bay is behaving much better now. He is in the pink of condition but Rose Jane, who has 21 lbs. less to shoulder, will no doubt give him a good run for the money. Mr. Needa in the saddle and with Mr. Needa in the saddle the combination may spring a surprise.

IN the last event, the Bendigo Stakes for old Australian ponies ("A" class barred) over a mile, the allotment of weights is assessed on the amount of stakes won during 1938 and John Peel's Griffel, who has not much to carry, is looking extremely well. Of course the mare must keep a sharp eye on Torando Star (the winner of 1938 Rooter-Hill Derby) and Snowy River must also be reckoned. A Great Time, who covered a mile last Wednesday in 1.44 is certainly worth \$5 each way.

Matches In Badminton Tournament

Further matches are down for decision in the annual Badminton Championships this evening. In the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwok, of St. Andrew's, will play M. M. de V. Soares at Talkoo, and in the Men's Doubles, L. Sung and T. F. Yong will clash with R. P. Bywater and North on the same court.

The programme is as follows:

MEN'S JUNIOR SINGLES
D. Kwok v. M. M. de V. Soares
(Talkoo, 8.30 p.m.)

MEN'S DOUBLES
L. Sung and T. F. Yong v. Bywater and North

"Greek Goddess" is New Hair Style

Alluring Coiffures Show Sculptured Curls for 1939

The smartest and newest coiffure, perfected by expert hairdressers, is plastic curls, worn flat around the head from a side parting, like that of some sculptured Greek god.

THE leading Paris and New York hairdressers have taken Greek statuary as their inspiration for 1939. They are similar to the popular and flatteringly feminine Edwardian hair style, but more varied and stylized.

Actually the upswept curls of Edwardian tradition, which last year became the rage the world over, were only a variant of the Greek coiffure. Edwardian hairdressers took their styles from classical statues to create the famous coiffures of the "Gay Nineties."

Upswept curls are still the vogue, but towering Edwardian heights are no more, and as mildy changes her coiffure, so milliners, beauty specialists and couturiers design hats, colour combinations, and clothes in keeping with the subtle rearrangement of curls.

The many women who cling to soft, feminine fashions are adopting Pompadour and Mozart hair styles in place of the Edwardian style, which has been so popular. The Pompadour, fashioned by the Bond Street beautician and hairdressers, who are responsible for the elegance of the Duchess of Kent's coiffure, told me that these Greek curls are proving very popular, particularly with the current high necklines.

Duchess' Curls

THE Duchess of Kent has been trying out several hair styles recently, adopting first the Pompadour curls, then the Mozart, but finally deciding on the sculptured style. She is, thus, again giving the lead to smart women by wearing her hair in plastic curls, a style which suits the Duchess, with her classical features, to perfection.

Forecasts for 1939 by the New York Coiffure Guild include small, flat curls and gleaming rolls of lacquered brilliance—hair swathed severely from the nape of the neck in a modern version of the Grecian women of two thousand years ago. One French expert introduces a touch of whimsy to the coiffure of a brunette by pinning a coronet of pastel-dyed curls atop her own dusky locks.

Style for Blondes

"SOIREE" is a devastating new coiffure for the blonde, and guaranteed to make the Man of the Moment want to go out and kill dragons when he spies the sheer loveliness of you.

This fascinating hair-do is really a swell version of the "girl in the bath tub." Hair is swathed across the neckline, and then swept high to a flurry of soft rolls.

The most popular new style sponsored on the Continent is called "Radiance," and was created to enhance the glowing beauty of Titian hair.

This style features a series of turned-under puffs, piled high along the crown of the head, and ending in soft little ringlets.

Hats to Match

FOR the not-so-daring charmer there is the brand new "Evening Star" coiffure. Not quite so ultra as the others, but effect—charming! Hair is brushed back from the forehead to glossy curls clustered along the side parting. The back hair is cut very short and curled, so that it almost gives the effect of Jo in "Little Women"—all of which is very youth-making.

Just as Edwardian hairdressing revived all the rich magentas and cyclamens of the late Victorian and early Edwardian era, so the new classical style has revived the yellows and leafy greens associated with the young gods and goddesses of Olympus.

This spring colours will range from palest primrose to deepest ochre, from lime-green to deep olive, tangerine and emerald striking a more brilliant note.

Age Thaurup, who is showing a few advance models, has designed hats for the new coiffure that are one mass of flowers, ribbon loops, feathery wings, and veils.

These hats are worn tilted forward, yet the crowns, two to three inches deep, slope well back to the nape



of the neck, where, for the most part, the trimming is carried. Norman Hartnell is showing one half-hat, sporting a high crown and three-inch brim, which slopes over one eye, sweeps round on the left side to dip down on to the neck, but is entirely cut away at the right side, showing the curls lying flat on the head.

Touch Tells

IT is easy to learn how to cook, but not so easy to cook well, because the cook, like the masseuse, depends finally upon her manipulative skill. Light hands are necessary for kneading bread, rolling out pastry and scones, beating sponge cakes and batters. Always knead with the tips of the fingers or the part of the hand just below the wrist; never with the knuckles.

When rolling, put your hands lightly on the pin with your fingers slightly raised, and slide the pin backwards and forwards, with short, sharp movements. Never roll over the edges of pastry. Beat batter and sponge cakes in the same direction all the time. When trying omelette turn off the gas after fifty seconds, tilt the pan towards you quickly, and shape the mixture into a half-moon.

White cakes of the Madeira class have a more spongy texture when the eggs are added before the flour. To prevent them from curdling the creamed butter and sugar, add them little by little, beating vigorously all the time.

Never stir a white sauce quickly at first. Work slowly in wide circles and always in the same direction. The pace may be quickened as the sauce comes to the boil.

Beat eggs slightly for custards, omelettes and souffles, thoroughly for cakes and cake puddings.

For very light mixtures divide egg yolks from whites and add the whites, stiffly whisked, just before the mixture is put into the oven. A little castor sugar or a pinch of bi-carbonate of soda added to egg whites while beating shortens the process and gives a more fluffy result.

W. B.

O. L.

Changing The Home Scene

IT is not good for anyone to live in the same surroundings for very long, so it is a wise plan to change the position of the furniture occasionally.

Why not, for instance, change the diningroom into the sittingroom simply by an exchange of the furniture? If you cannot do this, then have an exchange of pictures in every room in the house. It does not sound much, but it is amazing what a difference even this slight change will effect.

Fresh toilet mats, table cloths, even new serviettes, will all help to brighten the home and the cost is slight enough, is it not?

But if you have a little money to spend, and your furniture is of the upholstered type, cover it for the spring in gay cretonne and make some new cushion covers. This cretonne is quite inexpensive, and loose covers can either be made at home, or at the shop where you buy the material.

Again have you ever thought of overhauling your vases? If they are all of the tall, cut-glass type, invest in the flat type of pottery vase or smoked or painted glass to add variety to the floral scene.

Make some alteration in your lighting as well. A new cover on your standard lamp will look cheerful and effect a difference in the lighting colour, for instance, from cream to rose. If you have two concealed lighting shades on either side of the mantelpiece, and one of those new pottery lamps on the bureau, you will be able to sense a new atmosphere immediately.

Have you ever thought about your mirrors? Small framed mirrors in the sittingroom will help to make it more interesting.

Club-Life For Babies

INTERESTING LONDON SCHEME

THERE is a babies' club in Chelsea, where mothers and babies meet twice a week. Here in this cottage, which still has a grille in the front door and a long quavering bell-pull of rusted iron, is a fashionable "club" atmosphere, sociable and happy.

The "appointments" have all the amenities of an up-to-date West End club. The dressingroom, with its white, porcelain, chromium-fitted basins that stand only 18 inches high, is decorated very much in the modern manner in pale and dark rose pink, with pale green cubicles. Each child has an independent locker, towel-rail, and toothbrush rack, adorned with the owner's private "crest," usually an animal, because most of the members are too young to read.

The rose-pink hall repeats the impression of club life. Here are found neatly typewritten lists of "defaulter" for all to see, giving the names of babies who have not slept. By the side of this stands a printed menu of lunches for the week. These have been passed and approved by the mothers, usually wives of authors, artists, and professional men.

Studios as Schoolrooms

Two studios running out on to a rambling old-world garden, equipped with a sandpit, swings, and slides for play, are used as schoolrooms.

In one room, babies of two to three and a half years old "study," and if visiting one can often see half a dozen children playing absently with the sense-training toys recently introduced.

The other studio, given over to the children of four years of age and over, is gay with yellow walls, green doors, and tiny individual chairs and tables of unpainted oak, each with a pot of growing flowers.

At the lunch hour the children carefully don small bib-aprons and wash in the adjoining dressingroom, laboriously smoothing the sides and tops of small heads, and lay little green cloths for lunch.

After lunch they bring out camp beds into the garden, climb into blanket-lined canvas bags, and partake of an hour or so of what is obviously the least popular part of the club routine.

The active occupations planned for these babies are a sheer delight to them. They revel in dusting and sweeping with tiny brooms, polishing spoons, and glasses with miniature dusters, picking and arranging flowers. There are no organized lessons. Certain time is given over to free play—play with "toys that teach"—and to the feeding of the goldfish, tortoise, birds, cats, and dogs which are the children's pets.

All is done very much in the grown-up manner, and play is usually punctuated—as the visitor recalls—by unconscious skits on grown-up conversation.

"We're going out to dinner tonight," announced a small girl. "Well, you'd better hurry up and dress. I don't want to be kept waiting," said the three-year-old boy who played the part of "father" in this make-believe game.

E. A.

Boleros From Remnants

THE bolero is here again on a tide of fresh popularity, and a very useful little garment it is. A guy one puts life into the dulllest frock; a dark one tones down a smart gown into a simple dinner ensemble.

So, if you have any odd pieces or bits of velvet, brocade, and felt, here are some ideas you may like to try.

Any colour of dress felt can be used for a sleeveless bolero. Buy a ball of angora wool of the same shade, and crochet three rows all round the edge. Add two small "tufts" at either side to look like imitation pockets. Or you can use black felt and white angora—this would look charming over a multi-coloured silk afternoon frock.

Sates often produce a couple of yards of white chiffon at a low price. If it with strong white satin and edge with tiny silver bangles or sequins. This makes an attractive bridge concealer, or slipped over a white dance frock, is ideal for that dinner date.

Even a yard and a half of brocade is sufficient for the small bolero, and will look just right over a black velvet frock. Turn-back lapels can be added if more material be used, and puffed sleeves (if the gown is sleeveless).

For a softer silk, cut the back into a "V" yoke, and then pull on the material so as to form a swaggar style. The accordion-pleated bolero, too, is very smart, particularly if it has sleeves to match, falling very full at the wrist. Try this in chiffon, but remember that you will need three times the ordinary amount of material.

For Day Dresses

The bolero day dress is exceptionally practical. Make a black tailored skirt with belt attached, a long-sleeved, very short-jacketed bolero, and a gay silk blouse with Peter Pan collar. The edges of this should show below the bolero.

If you use a dark material—green, black, blue, or red—you can "ring the changes" by having two or three contrasting blouses. As these are quite plain and sleeveless, their cost is almost negligible. Or, if you have a good satin evening frock which is out of date, why not make a blouse from it? This may easily be cut from the wide skirt.

Again, perhaps you prefer a blouse of the same tone. In this case, applique your bolero in the corners with bright bits of felt, and make a design round the hem of the skirt, too.

If you have any narrow lengths of gold or silver ribbon, edge the bolero and skirt with several bands about one inch apart (the skirt should, in this case, be flared at the hem.)

O. L.

FASHION NOTES

LONG evening gloves, in lovely pastel shades of pink, turquoise, primrose, or lettuce green are seen. Equally popular are wrist-length black evening gloves, lavishly embroidered in pearls. It is surprising how often pearls are used now for embroidering accessories, due no doubt to the fact that pearls have soared in fashion's favour.

Evening petticoats are becoming more and more glamorous. Wide insets of cobwebby lace are set into voluminous folds of silk, and many yards of lace edge the hem.



An expression of the hood attached to the blouse that becomes part of a jacket costume. The blouse is suggested to be worn with a fitted cardigan. Note the effect of the hat worn with simple matching skirt.

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2—Part of play
3—Having weapons
4—One of the twelve apostles
5—Unusual
6—Domestic fowl
7—Dilemma
8—Hindu praying rug
9—Kind of glass
10—Hydrometer for milk
11—Accumulate
12—Very tall
13—Price for service
14—High spirits
15—Arabian drink
16—Thin skin
17—Part of bedstead
18—Male cat
19—Bird's home
20—Blotch plant
21—Crestwood
22—Game animal
23—Cattle god
24—Warty
25—Crack
26—Stone entrance
27—Those who use different alphabet in spelling
28—Part of Eocene
29—East Indian drink

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

DOWN
1—Bon of Adam
2—Russian river
3—Pertaining to ode
4—Kind of tomb
5—Tiled land (Japanese)
6—Box
7—Change of form
8—Japanese coin
9—Crested bird
10—Respected
11—Wanderer
12—Bacon part
13—Dialling
14—Indication
15—Bite of new
16—Decorative organ
17—Wanderer
18—Silver embankment
19—Pebble
20—Country, coal, Austria
21—At succeeding time
22—Worship
23—Wandering
24—Price of tide
25—Crack-like plant
26—African man for dead
27—Philippine nestling
28—Ravine
29—Russian ruler
30—Railroad station
31—Aristocrat (Males)
32—Ceremony
33—Wall planter
34—African Indian
35—Olive tree
36—Strip of cashmere
37—Japanese liquor



Here are two sport coats that are having an early success. Left: The two-way silhouette. Flared or fitted. This model is a fleecy llama monotone diagonal wave. It illustrates the use of tiny collars and high pockets worked into yoke pockets. Right: A favourite straight line coat with four pockets worked in vertically. The colours include horizon blue, gold, a light brown, turquoise, and dusty pink.

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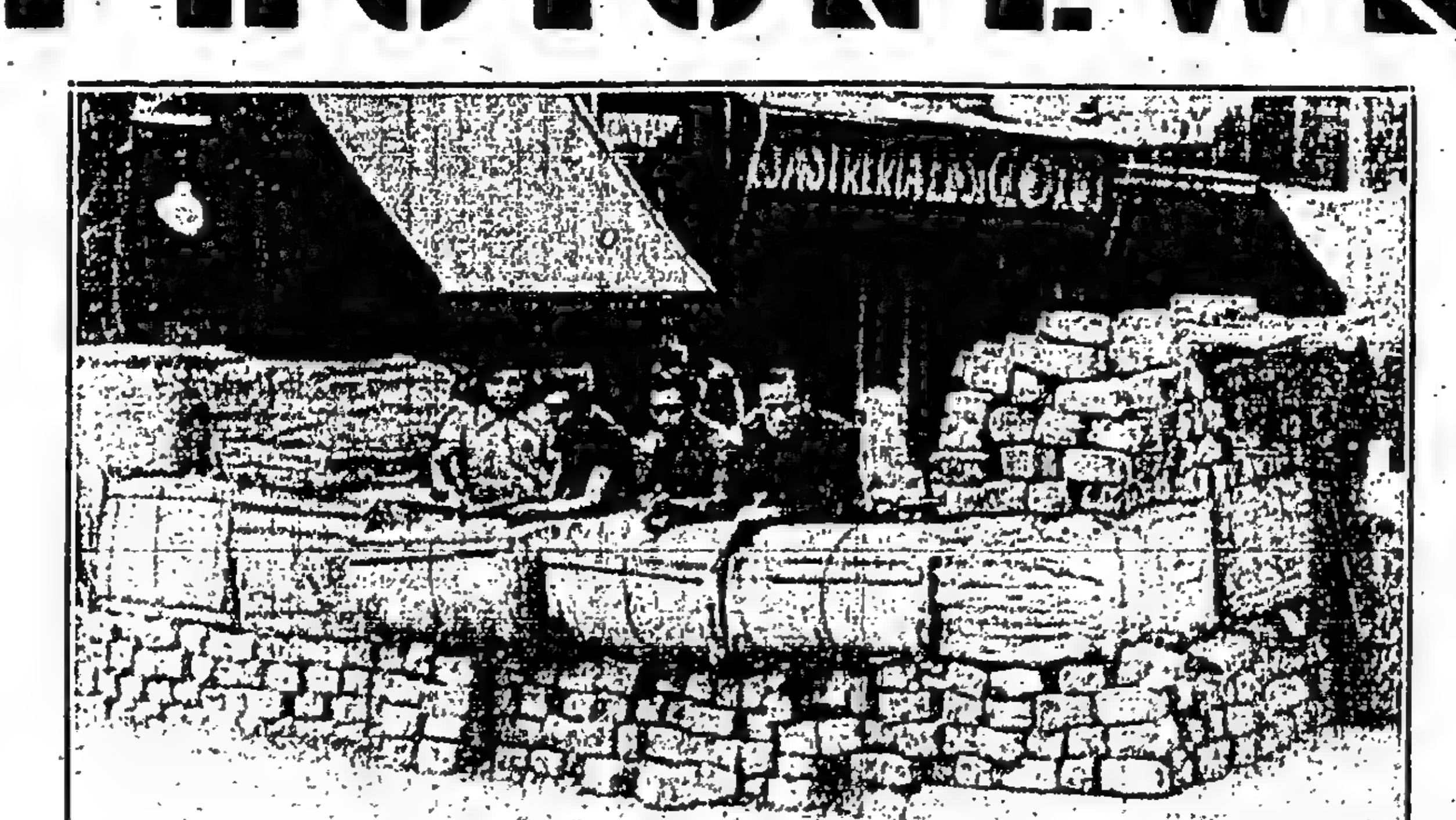
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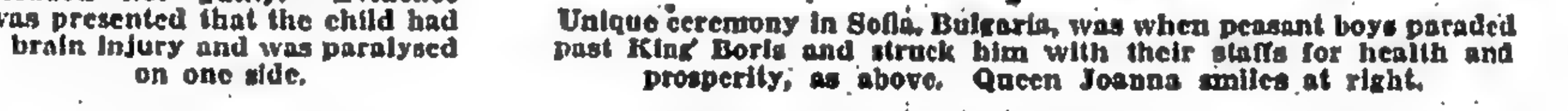
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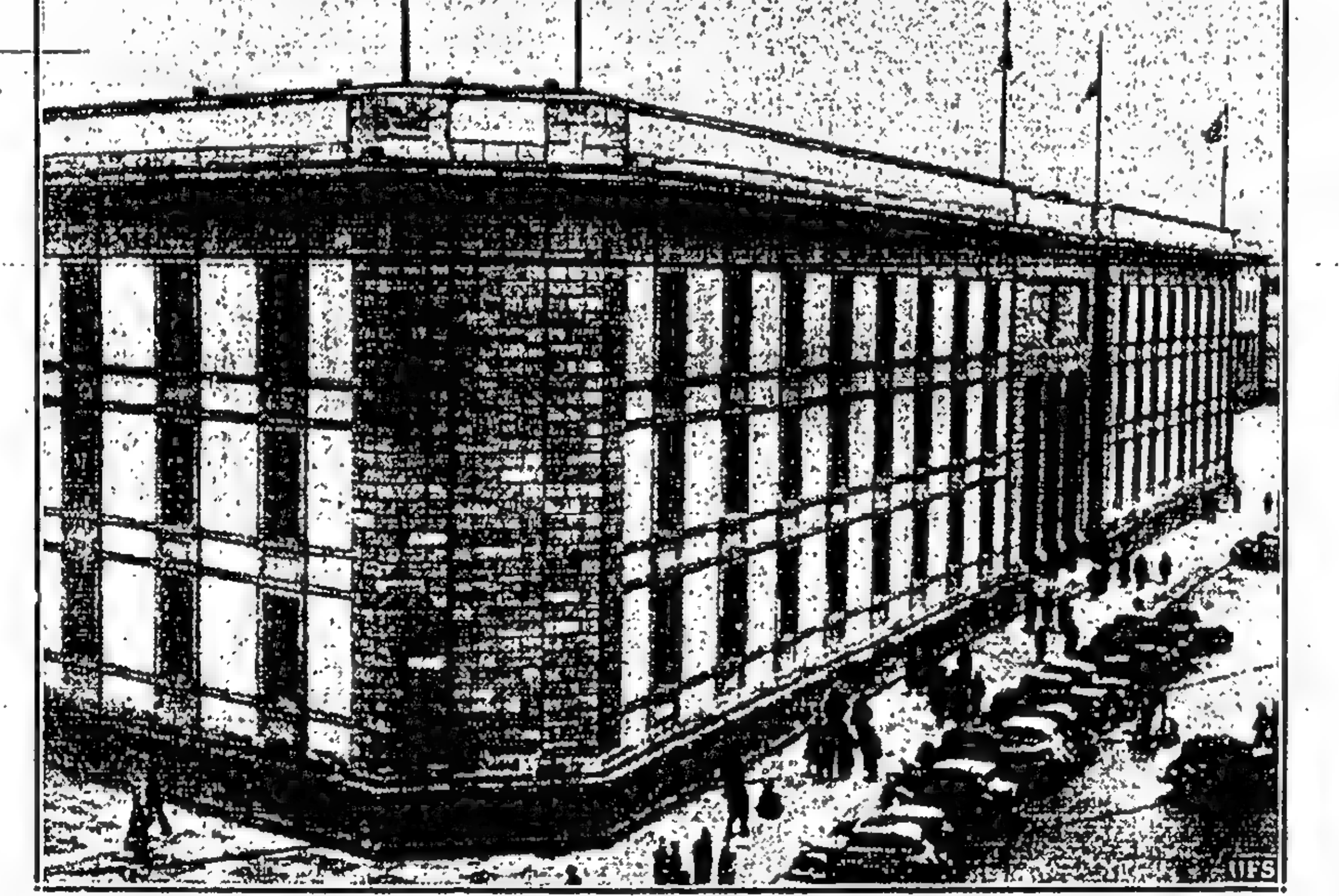
Members of the Loyalist militia on guard at a street corner in Barcelona, Spain, objective of the vast drive by the Insurgents.



Dr. William E. Dodd, former Ambassador to Germany, indicted by a Hanover County, Va., grand jury on a charge of hit-and-run driving and causing injury to Gloris Grimes, 4-year-old Negro child. His trial was set for March 2. Dr. Dodd pleaded not guilty. Evidence was presented that the child had a brain injury and was paralysed on one side.



Unique ceremony in Sofia, Bulgaria, was when peasant boys paraded past King Boris and struck him with their staffs for health and prosperity, as above. Queen Joanna smiles at right.



This is Germany's new 1,300-foot long, three-storey Chancellery, recently dedicated in Berlin by Chancellor Hitler. The building stretches almost the length of Voss Strasse, from Hermann Goerring Strasse to Wilhelm-Strasse. Later, Chancellor Hitler, as supreme head of the armed forces, gave a reception to 3,470 lieutenants of the army and air force and ensigns of the navy, in the Mosale room.



This delightful scene shows the picturesque Towers of the Lake, of the Golden Gate International Exposition on Treasure Island, San Francisco Bay, mirrored in the Lake of the Nations. Through the Court of Flowers is the Triumphal Arch and beyond that the Tower of the Sun. The exposition has opened last week.

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New Pope May Not Be Italian

Washington, Feb. 23.

Great interest has been caused in political circles here at the report of the Rome correspondent of the "New York Times" and other sources, that there is a great possibility that the new Pope will not be an Italian, but that instead, Cardinal Villeneuve (Canada) and Cardinal Mundelein (Chicago) are the most likely candidates.

The possibilities of such a development are subjects for animated discussions, in which it is emphasised that, inasmuch as North America, with its thirty million Roman Catholics, is now the strongest financial mainstay of the Vatican, America is entitled to urge her right to the choice of an American Pope.

Moreover, in the event of the new Pope being an American, it is possible that the diplomatic relations between the United States and the Pope, interrupted for 50 years, might be resumed.—Trans-Ocean.

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NEWSPAPER ATTACK ON ROOSEVELT

Sees Anglo-U.S. Plan To
"Distribute World"

BERLIN, Feb. 23.
"WE GERMANS are unable to discover in President Roosevelt's face or lineaments, an angel of peace, but only hatred against the States who regard bolshevism as the deadly enemy of mankind," says the "Boersen Zeitung."

The paper maintains that the suggested fortification of Guam and the establishment of American naval bases in the Pacific, was the result of a hint given by Mr. Anthony Eden when he visited the United States.

The paper, which asked whether Mr. Eden acted privately or by request, says there are only two possibilities:

"Firstly, has the new plan for the distribution of the world been secretly prepared between the United States and Great Britain; secondly, is the propaganda action against Germany and other States with which she is friendly, only a flimsy pretext for diverting public attention from really decisive events?"

"These questions are justified in view of the growing probability that the hint for building the Pacific naval bases came from Mr. Eden."

"Is it possible that the dagger pointed at the heart of Japan was placed in the willing hands of the United States politicians by a third Power?"—Reuter.

Treason Law In Eire

Dublin, Feb. 23.

The second reading of the Treason Bill was passed in the Dail to-day by 79 votes to 10.

Mr. De Valera has asked for its unanimous acceptance in order to safeguard their freedom. The country was peaceful, he said, but if there

H.K. Man Dies In Kuling

Poignant Features Of
War Zone Tragedy

Mr. Allick Mackenzie, one of the oldest local employees of the Standard-Vacuum Company, who had been seriously ill in the Country Hospital at Kuling for nearly ten months, passed away at the mountain resort on Thursday of last week, February 16, according to a telegram just received in Hongkong.

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Boom Defence Ship Had Rough Trip

The boom defence vessel Barlight arrived from Singapore yesterday after a rough journey lasting over two weeks.

The ship has come out from United Kingdom to join the Barlane, another of the same class which recently completed her trials and was commissioned.

Netherlands To Build Cruisers

The Hague, Feb. 23.
It is authoritatively learned that the Government has given orders for two new cruisers which will be the largest warships in the Netherlands navy.

They will have a speed of 33 knots.—Reuter.

Restrictions In Hankow

Shanghai, Feb. 23.
A new agreement has been reached in Hankow between the French

Concession and Japanese authorities regarding the opening of a certain street for unarmed Japanese.

On the other hand, the Japanese have abolished the food embargo. Nevertheless, only small quantities are entering the Concession.—Trans-Ocean.

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A PAIR OF OVERALLS, two leather gloves, and a bed mattress were at the root of an exciting fire alarm on the harbour just before 1 o'clock to-day.

AIR BASES ON ISLANDS IN PACIFIC Anglo-American Co-operation

LONDON, Feb. 23.

DEALING IN the House of Commons to-day with the supplementary estimate for £3,044,000 for colonial and Middle Eastern services, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald referred to the sum of £7,500 required for the Gilbert and Ellice Islands.

He explained that the development of air services in recent years had brought into prominence some islands which had hitherto been considered of comparatively little importance, and which it was now anticipated might have a great use as intermediate landing-places in the trans-Pacific air services, including Christmas Island and Canton Island.

"There are three islands which might be important in connection with the development of the trans-Pacific air services," he said. "Consequently we sent them officials from our colonial government and this sum of £7,500 is required to pay the cost of establishing them in the islands, and of carrying on their work during the last two years."

JOINT ADMINISTRATION

"With regard to Canton Island, the position is as follows: Not only the British Government, but the American Government claimed the island, and an Anglo-American agreement was reached comparatively recently that we should hold the island in joint trust for a period of years. Since then discussions have been proceeding between the two governments regarding details of administration, and the details of carrying

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HAINAN IS. PORT FALLS

Japanese Claim Chinglan Capture

HOIHOW, Feb. 24.

WITHIN 24 HOURS of its occupation of Menecho, 40 miles south east of Kiangshan, a mobile column of Japanese troops has entered Chinglan, only a short distance from the eastern coast of the island.

In occupying Chinglan, the Japanese forces encountered no resistance, field advice indicate. The Japanese forces continued their advance southward on the coast following their occupation of Menecho.

Meanwhile, the Japanese mobile column on Wednesday effected an advance of over 30 miles in about 12 hours to reach Menecho from the right bank of the Namtu River. Starting from the river bank at 6 a.m. the column reached Samkong, about 10 miles from the Namtu River, at 10 a.m. The flying column continued on under the cloudy sky and after another advance of 15 miles reached Tarnow, where they originally expected to spend the night.

With the tanks in the lead, the motorised column finished the last 10-mile stretch of the day's drive in about two hours and smashed into a corner of the walled town at 6.30 p.m. as dusk gathered.

CHINESE RESIST

About 100 Chinese troops were killed in the fighting which took place in the outskirts of the town. While a unit advanced in pursuit of the Chinese in a southwesterly direction, other units of the Japanese

BIG BOEING EN ROUTE

HONOLULU, Feb. 23.

SHRIeking SIRENS greeted the new \$1,000,000 giant Pan-American Airways seaplane, Boeing Clipper, when she arrived here to-day, in the course of making her maiden test-flight from San Francisco to Hongkong.

The seaplane, luxuriously equipped, includes a honeymoon suite. It maintained a steady 150 miles an hour.

Honolulu was gaily decorated for the occasion, and crowds gathered round as the Clipper landed, and presented bouquets to the crew.—*Reuter*.

Kuling Foreigners

JAPAN AGREES TO NON-COMBATANT ZONE

Well-Known Colony Resident Dies At Mountain Resort

WITHIN HALF-AN-HOUR of the receipt of an official communiqué stating that the Japanese military authorities had agreed to the establishment of a neutral zone for the 47 foreigners remaining in Kuling, news was received by cable of the death at the sanatorium of Mr. Alick Mackenzie, well-known Hongkong resident.

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JAPAN'S TERRORISM: NAMTAU SET AFIRE

ON WEDNESDAY the "Telegraph" exclusively reported that the Japanese had issued an ultimatum to all districts south of the East River, giving magistrates and village elders until to-day to comply with certain demands.

In the case of Namtau, this ultimatum expired at noon yesterday. At 6 o'clock this morning the Japanese proceed to put their threat into effect.

BIG JEWEL HAUL

Money and jewellery worth \$243 were stolen from 98 Waterloo Road, Kowloon, between 10 p.m. on Wednesday and 6 a.m. yesterday, according to a report made by Mr. K. Weiss.

A party of four hundred Japanese soldiers have re-entered Namtau and, according to reports received by the "Telegraph" at 10 a.m., have commenced the destruction of the city.

A meeting of the village elders on Wednesday decided to ignore the Japanese ultimatum and, anticipating Japanese reprisals, arrangements were simultaneously made for the removal to a place of safety of all women and children. Many were evacuated to Hongkong.

According to reports received by the "Telegraph" this morning, the Japanese soldiers are setting fire to the city. The Magistrate's yamen and other public buildings are already afire and fears are expressed that the Japanese will raze the entire city.

FEARS FOR ELDERS

Fears are felt for the safety of the village elders, who will undoubtedly receive harsh treatment if they fail into the hands of the Japanese.

Mass terrorism was decided upon by the Japanese authorities last week as the most effective way of crushing Chinese resistance in South China. Pamphlets were dropped at all haunts between Hongkong and the East River, containing the following demands:

1.—All existing magistrates of towns will immediately resign unless they have notified the Japanese authorities that they are prepared to re-form their administrations in conformity with the Japanese demands.

2.—Village elders will immediately appoint delegates who will proceed to the Japanese headquarters at Taping in order to inform the Japanese authorities that instructions for the appointment of new magistrates have been carried out. The new magistrates will be required to report periodically to the Japanese authorities that all anti-Japanese activities have ceased in their districts and that sympathies with the Chungking regime have been totally suppressed.

3.—Newly appointed magistrates and the village elders will be jointly held responsible for anti-Japanese activities in their areas.

4.—Failing compliance with these demands before Friday, February 24, cities and villages in the rebellious areas will be ruthlessly bombed.

NAMTAU "DISAPPEARANCE"

The "Telegraph" understands that the new Japanese demands were first disclosed when a Japanese force first invaded Namtau last week.

Magistrates at Namtau escaped before the Japanese entered the city and the Japanese appointed a new magistrate. The latter, however, "disappeared."

Following the disappearance of the Japanese-appointed magistrate, the Japanese authorities in Taping delivered an ultimatum to the village elders in Namtau.

They were required to appoint a new magistrate and to conform with the new Japanese demands before noon Wednesday. Submission to the Japanese demands were to be notified to the Japanese authorities in Taping before noon yesterday.

At a meeting of the village elders it was agreed, according to information reaching the "Telegraph" to ignore the Japanese ultimatum.

CUSTOMS OFFICERS LEAVE

The "Telegraph" was informed this morning that Chinese Customs officers have been withdrawn from Shekwo, the customs station about a mile south of Namtau. Namtau officers were withdrawn some time ago. Shekwo is in Deep Bay, the waters of which are British territory.

Burying The Dead In Shum Chun

St. John Ambulance Brigade has been requested to send a burial party to Shum Chun market city to assist in the work of burying the dead.

Many bodies are still being recovered from the debris of the city and burial is being carried out immediately they are found, in order to prevent the outbreak of disease.

The Hongkong St. John Ambulance Brigade is also performing this task in Shum Chun. Yesterday, the bodies of eight people who were killed in and around the Casino were buried, in addition to the bodies of (Continued on Page 4.)

MAGINOT LINE FOR HOLLAND

Dutch Precautions On Reich Front

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 23.

HOLLAND'S NEW military Budget was accepted by the Upper Chamber to-day. During the debate, the Minister of Defence, M. van Dijk, revealed that Holland will establish new military aerodromes near Katwijk in the North Sea, and near Valkenburg on the Dutch-Limburg frontier.

The possibilities for purchasing military planes in the United States were being investigated.

It was added, however, that home industries would be given preference. The original number of 200 concrete forts along the frontier would be considerably increased. The building of several new battlements for the East Indies fleet was rejected as too costly.

Minister van Dijk, concluding, once more stressed Holland's neutrality policy and, replying to a question concerning the Dutch-British military talks, stated that these referred merely to technical information concerning armaments in the Far East, and that Holland would under all circumstances retain her policy of independence.—*Trans-Ocean*.

LATEST

Another Ban By Censors

This afternoon, the "China Evening News" attempted to re-print leading articles which appeared in "Hongkong Telegraph" yesterday and "South China Morning Post" this morning on censorship in Hongkong. Permission to print the editorials was refused by the Government censor.

S.C.A. STATEMENT

Mr. W. J. Carrie, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, told the "Telegraph" this afternoon:

"The Editor of a Chinese newspaper submitted for censorship a translation of an editorial which appeared in the 'Hongkong Telegraph' yesterday.

"I have told the Editor of the newspaper in question that I want to see him before granting permission for the article to be published."

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Defence Tests On Frontier

Passive Precautions On Maginot Line

PARIS, Feb. 23.

AT THE CONCLUSION of the blackout test and passive defence precautions at Metz and Lyons, General Gamelin to-day returned to Paris to report to the permanent committee for national defence, presided over by M. Daladier, which is to meet at the Ministry of War to-morrow.

At the same time the periodic co-ordination conference of North African military chiefs will be held in Algiers to study the Mediterranean and African problems generally.

Both conferences will study reports of further reinforcement of Italian camps along the borders of French Somaliland, especially south of Djibouti.—*United Press*.

GUAM NAVAL DEFENCE PLAN REJECTED BY CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES to-day rejected a proposal in the naval air base Bill to spend \$5,000,000 on the improvement of Guam harbour.

Under the rule of the House, however, there is still a chance that the decision may be reversed.

The action was taken after a stormy three-day debate on what was practically the only controversial item in the Administration's \$552,000,000 defence Bill.

With the Guam provision deleted, the \$48,800,000 naval air base Bill was passed on to the Senate by 368 votes to four.—*Reuter.*

COMMENT ON REJECTION

Washington, Feb. 23.
Commenting upon the House rejection of the Guam project, foreign affairs experts said it was the first stone in the test of United States determination for her future role in the Orient.

Administration officials, who pleaded for the approval of the Guam project as an "answer to the dictators", drew attention to the fact that the measure received 160 votes, which some interpreted as votes against the traditional United States position in the Far East.

Some interpreted the vote as a rejection of the United States position as an imperialistic power, especially as regards the Orient.

Several Representatives said that the problem of Guam's fortification was inextricably combined with the United States position in regard to Philippine independence.

Representative James Richards said: "The United States cannot fortify Guam unless it has the Philippines. Our position at Guam would be untenable if an unfriendly power occupied the Philippines."

Representative Richards asked whether or not the decision to fortify Guam was connected with some change in the decision regarding the Philippines.

Philippine officials here have been urging the enactment of a programme of economic legislation, and carefully brought attention to the developments that some Filipinos and some American officials, including Mr. McNutt, desire the United States to retain sovereignty over the Philippines in order to remain a Pacific Power.

The Guam vote indicated that this group had considerable support, and insular observers recalled that the Philippine independence vote in 1932 had a ratio of 7 to 1, whereas the Guam vote was fairly evenly divided.

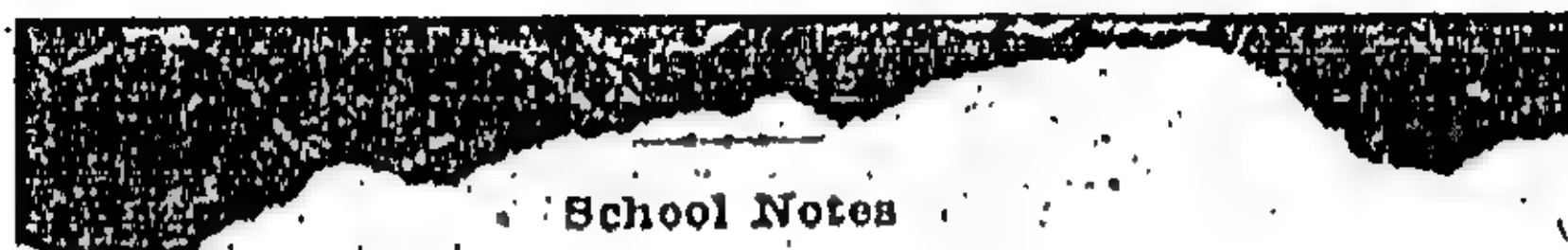
Administration officials said they might seek to reverse the decision by Senate action, since the Guam project will be submitted to the Senate as an original bill.

NO NEED TO LISTEN TO JAPAN

Representative Magnuson further said, "If the United States backed down on the improvement of Guam, Japan would herald throughout the Far East that this country is afraid to even dredge a harbour, let alone the Japanese Government should protest."

Representative May, Chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, said: "The United States frontiers are anywhere the American (Continued on Page 3.)"

Queen's College Has It's Own Judas



School Notes

H.E. the Governor paid an informal visit to the school on the 22nd September, 1938. He was welcomed and shown round by the Headmaster and by the Acting Director of Education.

His Excellency took notice of the 12 trees in the Lower Playground, and, on being informed that they were known as the 12 Apostles, suggested that they be known as "Judas" (struck by lightning some years ago) he known as "Judas".

The title "Thrinakstos," Queen's College, has been changed to that of Principal, Queen's College.

BOMB OUTRAGES

Amazing Evidence In Bow Street Trials

LONDON, Feb. 23.

A DOCUMENT REGARDING arms aboard H.M.S. President, a training ship moored in the Thames near Blackfriars, was mentioned when 18 men re-appeared at Bow Street to-day in connection with the recent alleged Irish Republican Army bomb outrages in England.

The prosecuting solicitor said that the document stated: "The President has 3,000 rifles, and equipment for 3,000 men. It is looked after by 12 men, when not in use for training."

The prosecution alleged that they also found a plan in a magazine in Hyde Park giving information regarding power stations, and detailed

instructions for the blowing-up of Dagenham.

The 18 men, charged with conspiracy, were accommodated in a special dock like a boxing ring. The court was again heavily guarded, and everybody who entered was searched.

The accused were remanded for a week.—*Reuter.*

14,000,000 YUAN SPENT ON RELIEF

Welfare Of China's Victims Of War

CHUNGKING, Feb. 23.

IT IS OFFICIALLY revealed that the National Government spent nearly 14,000,000 yuan on relief for war victims in China during the first 18 months of the Sino-Japanese conflict.

The exact figure is stated to be 13,887,000.15 yuan, and of this amount 55 per cent. went to emergency relief, seven per cent. to the Yellow River dyke-break relief last May and June, five per cent. to war area students' relief, five per cent. to war orphans.

However, 25 per cent. was used for productive purposes, such as promoting handicrafts, small industries, and the building up of refugee colonies in the interior.

It was stated that as time goes on expenditure for refugees' productive enterprises is expected to increase, and a reverse proportion will be spent in emergency relief.—*United Press.*



THE TWELVE APOSTLES



"JUDAS"

BEDAUX "ARRESTED" BY S. AFRICAN SHERIFF

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 23.

THE SUPREME COURT to-day reserved judgment on the petition of Mr. Charles Bedaux, prominent American efficiency expert and friend of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, asking for the order to be set aside, that was made by Judge Solomon in the Supreme Court last Friday, authorising the Sheriff to attach his person.

Mr. Bedaux also asked that the Sheriff be ordered to return the £800 which Mr. Bedaux deposited in pursuance of the court order.

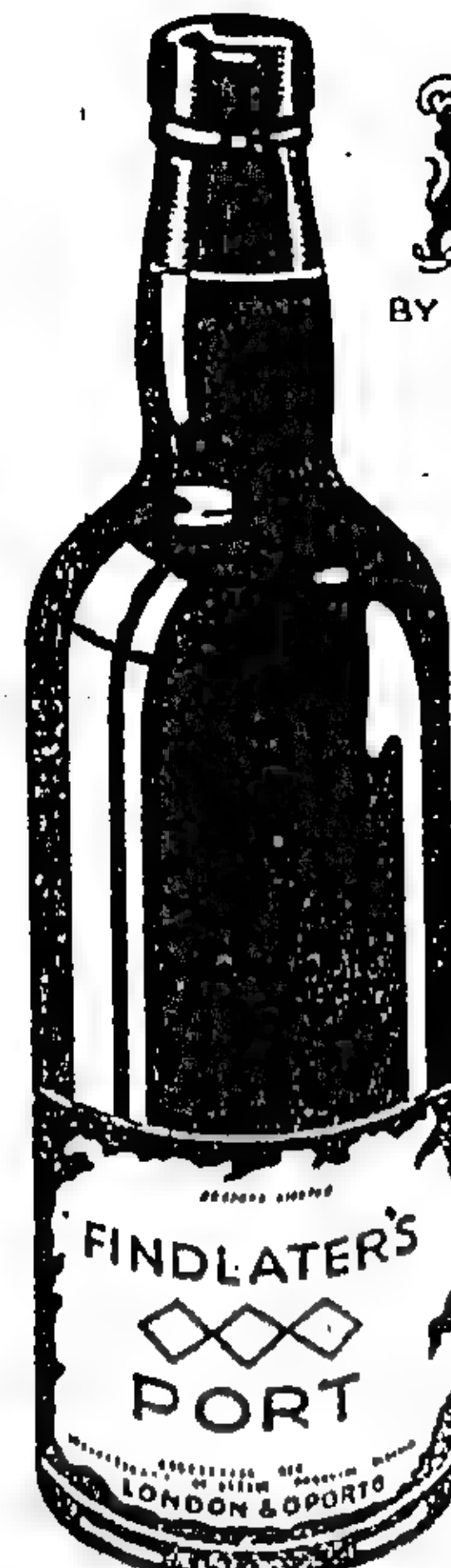
Mr. Bedaux in court, said that he was totally unaware of the claim until the Sheriff presented him with a warrant directed to the attaching of his person.

He submitted that he should have been afforded an opportunity of dealing with such a claim before any legal steps were taken against him, and he said that no considerable

publicity had been given to the proceedings, he could only conclude that his reputation had been seriously injured. In the circumstances he desired to have the proceedings set aside as soon as possible, so that the harm done, might to some extent be repaired.

An order for attaching the person of Mr. Bedaux was made on the urgent application of Robert McChesney, an engineer. The judge ordered the release of Mr. Bedaux on his giving a satisfactory security for costs.—*Reuter.*

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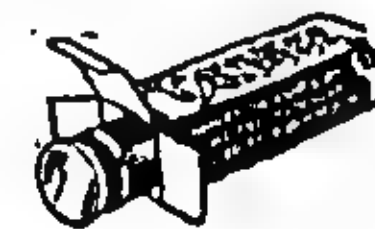
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SUBMARINE S.O.S. HOAXES WORLD

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.

THERE IS EVIDENCE that someone either in south-east Atlantic, southern Europe, or at the Azores, has played a ghostly joke on a nervous world.

It is reported that only the freighter Tulse heard the alleged S.O.S. torpedo message from the mysterious ship Pecc.

However, radio all over the world have tried frantically, but without result, to make contact with, and to discover the identity of the mysterious vessel, of which no trace has been found, despite the exhaustive search by the Empress of Australia.

Shipping records have not revealed the identity of the vessel, and the call-letters PECC have not been assigned to a ship since 1938, when the trawler Flandria was sold to French interests, and was assigned new letters.

Diplomatic and marine experts believe that it is inconceivable that a submarine of any Power has torpedoed a merchantman at sea.

Washington naval and radio officials expressed the opinion that the message was a hoax.

Meanwhile, a Berlin report says that the German newspapers are ridiculing the whole affair. One paper regards the S.O.S. as a fake.

Treason Law In Eire

Dublin, Feb. 23.

The second reading of the Treason Bill was passed in the Dail to-day by 70 votes to 10.

Mr. De Valera has asked for its unanimous acceptance in order to safeguard their freedom. The country was peaceful, he said, but if there were signs of which might indicate a time of trouble, they would have powers to deal with the possible difficulty.

The Co-grave opposition accepted the Bill in principle, but the Labour members, and some Independents, voted against it.—*Reuter*.



Fooling Like Snoozy To-day?

BEWARE OF 'PEP' MINTS

ARE you an Atishoo Man? If so, you'd better beware of peppermint creams. So said

Dr. George Bray, addressing the learned Hunterian Society the other day on sneezing.

Peppermint creams, he said, had been found to contain orris root—which caused sneezing. There were five causes of sneezing.

Inhalants included pollens, dusts, feathers and down, and animal and insect emanations, moulds and fungi and their spores. Tomato growers got "terrible attacks" of sneezing through the spores thrown off by fungi growing on the plants.

Police In Armour Make House To House Search In S'hai Round-Up

SHANGHAI, Feb. 23.

SQUADS OF MUNICIPAL police, wearing bullet-proof vests, accompanied by the Russian Regiment of the Shanghai Volunteers armed with rifles, bayonets and machine-guns, started a house-to-house search in the department store area of Nanking Road to-day, which has been the scene of several shooting and bombing outrages against Japanese.

They searched through a maze of alleyways on which stand cheap lodging houses, opium and gambling dens and tea houses which are believed to be the hide-out for criminals. The big Chinese hotels which usually harbour the more important criminals are included in the same area, but as yet no discovery of arms has been made. However, several people were detained for questioning.

RESULTS NOT SHOWN

The police authorities announced that the search in the Nanking road area started at 10 p.m. without an advance notice being issued, and ended at 11.30 p.m.

However, they refused to reveal whether any guns, hand grenades or

ammunition were found, or if any men were arrested.

Eye-witnesses said they saw men taken into the police vans, but on this the police refuse to comment.

However, some of the officials who participated in the raid seemed to be satisfied. The results of the search will probably be officially announced within a few days.—*United Press*.

ROBBERY IN BANK

Mr. F. M. Thompson, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, has reported that an overcoat worth \$80 was stolen from him in the Bank sometime prior to October 6 last year, and another overcoat, worth \$80, was stolen from him, also in the Bank, on February 18.

Japanese Dead In S. China

Chungking, Feb. 23.

The Kwangtung Provincial Government reported to Chungking yesterday that for a period of 40 days, from January 1 to February 10, the ashes of 3,200 Japanese soldiers were transported back to Japan from South China.

The report said the ashes represented those killed in action, and those who had died from illness during that period.

It was added that another brigade of Japanese troops was transferred from Canton to Hainan last week to reinforce the Japanese troops which landed on the island.—*United Press*.

GUAM NAVAL DEFENCE PLAN REJECTED BY CONGRESS

(Continued from Page 2.)

flag flies. Whose business is it what America does to her own property? Why should we listen to Japan or any other country regarding what we do in our own territory?

Representative Mann, the Republican member of the House Naval Affairs Committee, said: "Japan is not opposed to the United States improving the harbour. The fear of consequences is being expressed only in America. Japanese officials have publicly said that they did not intend to retaliate."

Representative Sam Rayburn of Texas, warned that the elimination of the Guam item means that the United States is permitting her own foreign policy to be dictated by other nations.

ARGUED FOR APPROVAL

Those for the approval of the amendment were first Representative Sutphin, who denounced the Guam project as a provocative measure, saying: "I believe in making it impregnable to attacks from other nations but I see no reason why we should extend our line of defence 6,000 miles across the Pacific. What do you suppose we would think if Great Britain undertook to fortify Bermuda to-day? Would we consider it an overt act or a hostile act?"

Representative Richards, said: "The issue is non-partisan. As a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, I cannot help but have grave doubts about the wisdom of including this item."

Representative Colmer of Mississippi said: "If Guam is fortified, the work could be done only for the benefit of some nation in taking it away."

Representative Robinson supported the amendment on the grounds that naval officers say that the Guam item is unnecessary for defence.—*United Press*.

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NEWSPAPER ATTACK ON ROOSEVELT

Sees Anglo-U.S. Plan To "Distribute World"

BERLIN, Feb. 23.

"WE GERMANS are unable to discover in President Roosevelt's face or lineaments, an angel of peace, but only hatred against the States who regard bolshevism as the deadly enemy of mankind," says the "Boersen Zeitung."

The paper maintains that the suggested fortification of Guam and the establishment of American naval bases in the Pacific, was the result of a hint given by Mr. Anthony Eden when he visited the United States.

The paper, which asked whether Mr. Eden acted privately or by request, says there are only two possibilities:

"Firstly, has the new plan for the distribution of the world been secretly prepared between the United States and Great Britain; secondly, is the propaganda action against Germany and other States with which she is friendly, only a flimsy pretext for diverting public attention from really decisive events?"

"These questions are justified in view of the growing probability that the hint for building the Pacific naval base came from Mr. Eden."

"Is it possible that the danger pointed at the heart of Japan was placed in the willing hands of the United States politicians by a third Power?"—*Reuter*.

Japanese Warships Shell Island

Kinhwa, Feb. 24.

Two Japanese warships have shelled Kiating, a town on Shusan Island in the Chusan Archipelago off the Chekiang coast.

They fired more than 50 shells, which wounded three civilians and damaged over 20 houses.

Later, the war vessels steamed to Tungshako nearby and set fire to six junk. They also shelled the coast, destroying 20 more houses.—*Central News*.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS

The Exchange Banks will open at 9.30 a.m. and will close at 12 Noon for the transaction of exchange business on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 27th, 28th February and 1st March, 1939. (Race Meeting).

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1939.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, Exchange Building, 14 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 7th day of March, 1939, at 12.15 o'clock in the afternoon or so soon thereafter as the Annual General Meeting of the Company convened for that day shall have terminated for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing a resolution as a special resolution altering in certain respects the Articles of Association of the Company.

Full particulars of such proposed alterations have been sent out to shareholders by post. A copy of the proposed special resolution giving details can be inspected at any time during business hours at the Registered Office of the Company.

By Order of the Board.

W. L. MCKENZIE,

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1939.

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R. M. HENDERSON,

Water Authority.

Public Works Department, Hong Kong, 22nd, February, 1939.

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NOTICE.

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS DURING THE RACES

1. It is hereby notified that on the days fixed for the Annual Race Meeting at Wong-Nai-Chong (February 25th, 27th, 28th and March 1st, and 4th), the following Regulations, under Ordinance No. 2 of 1869, will be in force:—

1. All Vehicles going to the Races at Wong-Nai-Chong will proceed clockwise round Happy Valley via Wong-Nai-Chong Road to the entrance gates.

2. Vehicles must proceed at a slow speed in the vicinity of the Race Course.

3. Vehicles will be parked in the vicinity of the Race Course as directed by the Police on duty.

4. Dogs are not allowed on or near the Race Course. Any dog found straying on or near the Race Course is liable to be destroyed.

Note.—Kennedy Road will be open to light motor traffic from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

11. Extra Race Meetings during the year 1939.—On days fixed for Extra Race Meetings.

One way traffic will be enforced in Wong-Nai-Chong Road.

Kennedy Road will not be open to motor traffic.

PARKING OF CARS AT THE RACE COURSE

1. The Stand at the public entrance is reserved for Jockey Club Stewards and Officials only.

2. Morrison Hill parking ground opposite Civil Service Club and Village Road reserved for Private Cars.

3. Ventris Road reserved for Public Cars.

T. H. KING,

Commissioner of Police.

24th February, 1939.

Hong Kong.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on TUESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1939, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1938, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 25th February to 7th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1939.

Order of the Board.

W. L. MCKENZIE,

Secretary.

14 Des Voeux Road Central.

Three Die In Air Collision

Karachi, Feb. 23. An air collision occurred yesterday between two Indian National Airways planes, while on a flight to Lahore, and in which three persons were killed.

It is understood they include two pilots, who were brothers, and a passenger named Davidson, who is reported to have been connected with an American oil concern.—*Reuters*.

Exchange At A Glance

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U.S. Cross rate in London	4.68 1/2

TRIBUTES TO DEAD SOLICITOR

Legal Profession Assembles

Tributes to the late Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro were paid in the Full Court this morning, when members of both branches of the legal profession assembled together as a mark of respect to their departed colleague.

The Chief Justice, who sat with Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Puisne Judge, said:

"Mr. Attorney, before beginning the ordinary work of the Court it is fitting that on behalf of my brother and of every member of both branches of the profession in the Colony, I should pay a tribute to the memory of Mr. Francisco Xavier D'Almada e Castro, who died on the morning of the 21st day of this month.

"Mr. D'Almada was born in Hongkong on January 18, 1869.

"He was first articled in 1885 and later in 1892 to Mr. Wilkinson, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist. He was admitted to practice as a solicitor of this Court on August 24, 1897, and was at the time of his death a senior solicitor in the Colony with the exception of Dr. Tso.

CHARITABLE WORK

"Nobody more fully earned and deserved the respect and affection of all with whom he came in contact. He had great personal charm and transparent honesty, while his charitable work not only for his fellow Catholics but also for the poor, the blind and the distressed of the Colony brought him well merited recognition when in June, 1933 His Holiness the Pope conferred on him the honour of a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Sylvester.

"Mr. D'Almada was the doyen of a legal family and he leaves a son, a brother and a nephew in the profession of his own choice and a nephew at the Bar.

"To his widow and to all his relatives our sincere sympathy goes out in their sad bereavement and the Court will now adjourn for a few minutes as a mark of our respect and regret."

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S TRIBUTE

The Attorney General, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, i.c., said: "Speaking on behalf of the Bar of the Colony and of the members of the Colonial Legal Service, I would like to express our desire to be associated with all that has been said by your Lordship.

"It has been my privilege to know the late Mr. Francisco Xavier D'Almada e Castro for close on thirty years and the high opinion I first formed of his character, ability and integrity has been amply confirmed throughout the whole of that period. His presence in this Court will be sorely missed."

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton said: "On behalf of the solicitors practising in the Colony I wish to endorse all that your Lordship and the Hon. the Attorney General have said with reference to the late Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro. With one exception, Mr. D'Almada was at the time of his death, the oldest practising solicitor with regard to date of admission on the roll of the Court and was the first locally qualified solicitor to be admitted.

"During his career he earned the respect and endeared himself to all by his unflinching courtesy. He took an active interest in the profession and the work of the Incorporated Law Society, on the Committee of which he served since the year 1930, attending regularly the meetings of the Committee unless prevented by illness. He also served on various sub-committees of the Society and was always ready to give his time and knowledge to promote the interests of the profession.

"One overwhelming tragedy marked his life and happiness from which he never fully recovered.

"We shall miss him from among us but the name of D'Almada e Castro will be continued on the rolls of this Court by his son, his brother and nephew, one of whom is a distinguished member of the Hongkong Bar. To them, to the members of the family and to his widow, we extend our sincere sympathy."

LORD HALIFAX DEFINES ANGLO-FRENCH RELATIONS

Quotation From "Mein Kampf"

LONDON, Feb. 23.

VISCOUNT HALIFAX, replying to questions in the House of Lords to-day on Anglo-French relations, said it would be a profound error to suppose that any mental reservations of any kind accompanied Mr. Neville Chamberlain's words of solidarity with France.

The declaration, he said, was clear and unmistakable.

"If I may translate it into terms of a homely parable, it was in the nature of one of those signs we now see in so many places in the country at danger points—'Halt-Major Road Ahead.'"

Viscount Halifax added that that was its purpose. There was no difference in view on any subject between ourselves and France. Accordingly, neither in France, nor in this country, was any verbal reassertion of our solidarity required.

"Before long we shall have an opportunity of emphasising that solidarity when we welcome the head of the French Republic. (cheers).

"It has been the case that misrepresentations in certain quarters have forced this country to state in progressively more emphatic and unambiguous terms what has long been accepted as true by the peoples of both our countries. The geographical situation that threw us closer to France, but also an identity of interests and a completeness in understanding.

BEST GUARANTEE

"These factors, therefore, are the best guarantee against the danger, in some minds, that there might be a certain risk in certain circumstances that one country might be tempted to subordinate its policy to that of the other. That danger does not exist."

Viscount Halifax emphasised that Anglo-French solidarity did not mean, and had never intended to constitute, any menace of any sort to any third party. The record of both governments, and the efforts of both governments to maintain peace was, he hoped, sufficient evidence of the truth of that statement.

ITALO FRENCH TENSION

Dealing with Italo-French differences, Viscount Halifax said: "In one sense it is a case that whatever might be Italo-French differences, they don't primarily, and I emphasise the word primarily, concern this country."

"But in another sense they concern it immediately and closely, because we have relations, of which I have been speaking, and we are also glad to have repaired our relations with Italy, and are anxious to maintain them on the basis of as complete cordiality as we can."

Viscount Halifax proceeded to point out that neither the French nor Italian governments had shown they were anxious for third party mediation, and of course, nothing of that sort could be expected unless, and until, both parties desired it.

At the present time, the Italian Government had not formally indicated what it thinks of the precise points of difference between itself and France.

MISREPRESENTATION

Referring to fact that this country was not infrequently misrepresented abroad, Viscount Halifax said: "Everyone must realise by now that there is no war party in this country. There is no party and no statesman who would, for one moment, contemplate an aggressive war, nor could they get any support from our people for such a purpose. On the other hand, there are some people in other countries who fall into the opposite error; such people attempt to interpret our will for peace as proof of our weakness, cowardice, or lack of resolution.

"I should like to make it quite clear that one is as unfounded as the other. Responsible heads of governments in Europe had, at various times, proclaimed that war brought no advantages to the victors. That was a statement, the truth of which had been brought home to the peoples of Britain and France within the lifetime of the present generation, and it was not therefore, surprising that they should stand in the van to condemn war as an instrument of national policy. That was not to say that the people of this country, or France, would refrain from resisting by force, any threat to their lives of independence, or what they believed to be their vital interests.

"MEIN KAMPF"

Quoting Herr Hitler in "Mein Kampf" on the subject of the German pre-war miscalculation of the Englishman and his Empire, Viscount Halifax observed: "Our resources remain enormous and the spirit of our people has not altered. We don't desire to test our strength because we believe that while wars are not to be avoided, more

than they ever settled, there are no questions, that given goodwill, cannot be brought to solution through a full and frank discussion, and the Government would ask for nothing better than circumstances should so shape themselves as to make that treatment of the many questions with which we are concerned possible.

"On the other hand, no one who knows the British mind will doubt, that should necessity ever be forced upon us, our people would be found to-day not less tenacious for their liberty than they have ever been (cheers).—*Reuters*.

Japan's Naval Programme

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teen small vessels, such as gunboats, and fourteen aircraft squadrons.

In January, 1933, a second Naval Replenishment Programme was brought before the Diet. To be completed by the end of 1936, it made provision for one aircraft carrier of 8,000 tons; one cruiser of 8,500 tons; seven destroyers; six submarines; one minelayer; eight torpedo boats and submarine chasers, and five aircraft squadrons.

Competition on the part of other naval powers compelled Japan further to expand the second programme, and in July of the same year, an addition was announced as follows: one aircraft carrier of 10,000 tons; one cruiser of 8,500 tons; seven destroyers and three aircraft squadrons.

SECOND PROGRAMME

The total cost of the second programme came close to £25,000,000.

In 1937, a third Replenishment Programme was initiated and a new five-year building programme was incorporated in the budget. Figures presented to the Diet. This last programme called for an expenditure of close to £70,000,000 including over £47,000,000 for new naval construction.

Officially, details have been kept very secret, but it is believed the programme was for the construction of four 40,000 ton battleships, armed with 16-inch guns, two aircraft carriers and a number of cruisers, destroyers, and submarines, in addition to a further important increase in the strength of the Naval Air Force.

The new programme is to supplement this Third Building Programme, which was started with the financial year 1937. Thus Japan is planning to keep pace in the unrestricted naval race now under way.—*Reuters*.

Namtau City In Flames

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Five other people who died from natural causes.

40 DEAD FOUND

Forty civilians have so far been found to have been killed on the Chinese side of Shumchun as a result of the Japanese ruthless bombing raid on Tuesday, according to Col. Tseng Tze-yu, police chief of Shumchun.

However, it is feared that when the heaps of debris are cleared away, more dead will be found. Mr. Hau Shih-ying, Acting Chairman of the National Relief Commission, again visited Shumchun yesterday to comfort and relieve the refugees.—*Central News*.

BELGIAN CABINET PLANNING NEW STATE REFORMS

BRUSSELS, Feb. 23.

PREMIER PIERLOT, presenting his Cabinet to the Chamber to-day "as an emergency solution", announced steps towards State reform and the reorganisation of the Education Ministry in order to meet Flemish demands.

He stated that the planned State reform, which was favoured by the King, was aimed at giving the Cabinet greater freedom of action with less dependence upon Parliament, while the Flemish population, having shown a power of expansion endangering the welfare of the State, would be given opportunities of development, especially in cultural aspects.

Dealing with foreign affairs, M. Pierlot declared that his Cabinet would adhere to the same lines as the former Ministry. He mentioned the development of national defence and the speedy organisation of air protection as the most pressing tasks confronting the new Cabinet.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Recognition For Franco

France, Netherlands Take Action

PARIS, Feb. 23.

IT IS LEARNED that Senator Jean Berard, who arrived at Burgos to-day from St. Jean de Luz, is to inform Count Jordana of the French Government's decision in principle, to recognise the Franco Government *de jure*. It is understood that recognition will be put into force at the beginning of next week. It is believed here that the British Government will make a similar announcement, probably also on Monday.—*Reuters*.

DUTCH RECOGNITION

The Hague, Feb. 23. It is officially stated that the Netherlands Government has decided to recognise General Franco's Government *de jure*.—*Reuters*.

FOOD FOR SPAIN

Berlin, Feb. 23. Further German shipments of food to insurgent Spain in order to assist the efforts of General Franco to relieve the distressing food situation in the newly occupied territory in the next few days. Shipments scheduled to leave Hamburg for Barcelona in the next few days will consist chiefly of flour and potatoes valued roughly at 1,000,000 reichsmarks.

It will be recalled that Germany was one of the first countries to send food supplies to Barcelona after its occupation by insurgent troops.—*Trans-Ocean*.

FIRE IN NEW R. N. BOOM DEFENCE SHIP

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In Hongkong and he was about to leave.

A succession of fire engines, docked, provided an anti-climax to the episode.

It was fortunate that the fire was detected and suppressed so quickly; otherwise the Barlight might have been extensively damaged.

The Barlight has come to join the Barlane in the boom defence section of the China Squadron. Her bed-ragged paintwork testified to her long passage out.

She has yet to be commissioned.

MAINAN IS. PORT FALLS

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columns mopped up remnant Chinese troops in the city and completed its occupation at 7.30 p.m.

Not a single Chinese civilian could be seen in the town during the night. Bills urging male and female youths to join the troops in defending Mainan were posted over the gates of private houses.

About 300 Chinese troops belonging to the 62nd Regiment of the Independent 9th Brigade were originally stationed at Meichow. About 100 casualties were believed to have been sustained by the Chinese.—*Dome*.

Crown Land Sold At Upset Prices

There being no bidders at the public auction of Crown Land at the District Land Office this morning, the two lots concerned were sold to the applicant, Mr. Andrew Cheung, of Hong Kong Cheung, at upset prices. The lots were: 5,000 square feet with an annual Crown rental of \$24 at Ting Kau, Tuen Wan, sold for \$160 with the conditions that \$6,000 must be spent within two years on rentable improvements; and compensation must be paid for trees growing on the lot; an adjoining area of 1.04 acres at an annual Crown rental of \$1.10 sold for \$113 with the conditions that compensation must be paid for trees growing on the lot and no cultivation must take place within 10 feet of any grave.

DAIRY FARM DIVIDEND

Subject to audit the Directors of The Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co. Ltd., will recommend to Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on March 22, at noon that the balance at Profit and Loss Account as at December 31, 1938, amounting to \$451,304.78, which includes \$74,095.93 brought forward from last Account and from which sum has been deducted \$125,715.00 in respect of Interim Dividend paid, be appropriated as follows:

Pay a Final Dividend of \$1.00 per share	\$251,430.00
Pay a Bonus of 25 cents per share	\$3,557.50
Transfer to General Reserve	15,000.00
Transfer to Cattle Reserve	50,000.00
Carry Forward	72,017.28
Total	\$451,304.78

It is also proposed to ask Shareholders at the Meeting to sanction a new issue of shares the proportion of one new share for every six shares held by Shareholders registered on 22nd March, 1939. These shares to be issued at \$7.50 per share. Shareholders will be asked to pay in cash \$5.00 per share, and the sum of \$2.50 per share to be granted as a bonus from the reserves of the Company. Full details will be available at a later date.

Two Sheiks Murdered In Iraq

Baghdad, Feb. 23.

Another link was added to the lengthy chain of acts of vendetta which have occurred during the last few weeks in Iraq.

After Sheik Assel Ali, Deputy of the Iraq Chamber had been murdered on Wednesday, Sheik Yalali, uncle of Sheik Ali of Baghdad, who is the head of the great Bedouin Shammar tribe, was found murdered to-day.

The murder is supposed to be the work of the Obaid tribe, which had a hereditary blood feud with the Shammar tribe.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Pirow's Cryptic Comment

Pretoria, Feb. 23.

During proceedings in the South African Parliament to-day, the Defence Minister, Mr. Oswald Pirow stated that whatever might be the ultimate fate of South-West Africa and Tanganyika, whoever held the territory would have to pay compensation.

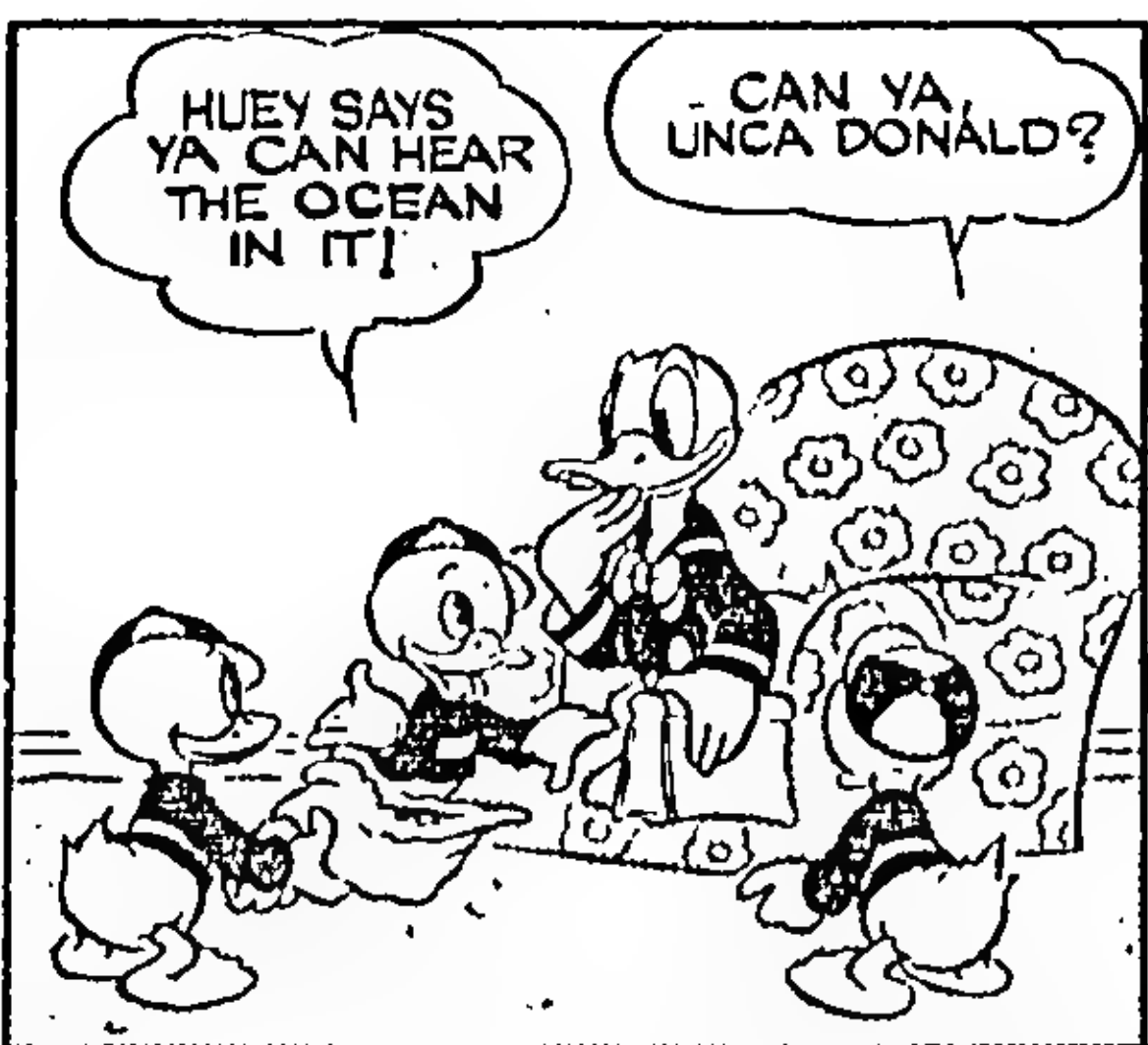
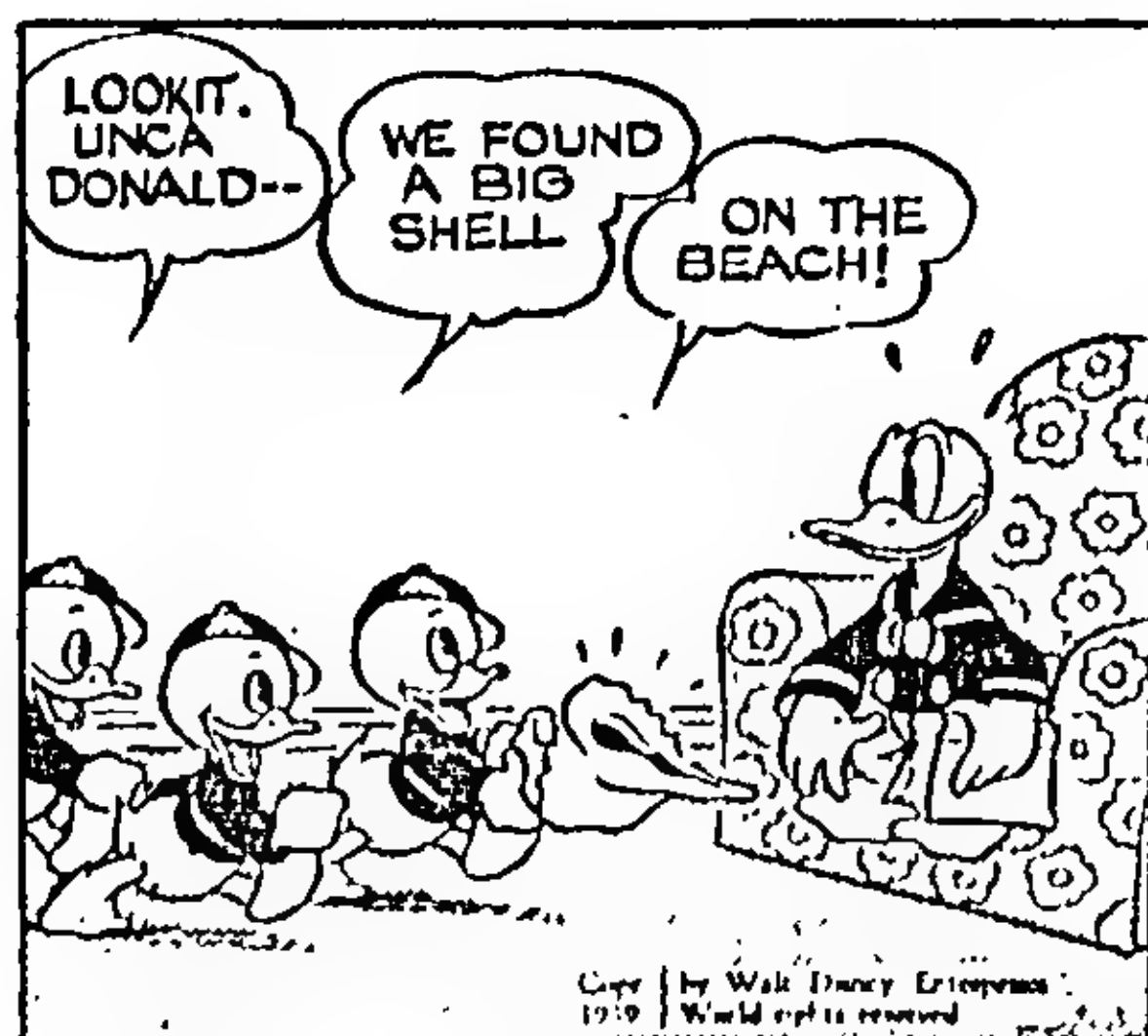
Mr. Pirow would not explain exactly what he meant by this statement which caused great surprise in Parliament, according to the Johannesburg "Daily Express".—*Trans-Ocean*.

Mild Winter Predicted

Lewes, Del.

Capt. Irwin S. Hall, a veteran astronomer, has predicted an open winter this year because of the thousands of wild ducks that have been feeding at the mouth of Delaware Bay.

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IN THE COURTS

Magistrate's Action Criticised In Appeal: Conviction Quashed

THE ACTION of Mr. R. Edwards, Magistrate, in cross-examining a defendant at great length was commented upon in the Appeal Court this morning.

Comment was made during the hearing of an appeal brought by Ka Sai-man, against conviction and sentence of four months' hard labour on a charge of having uttered a forged receipt for the sale of a motor car, with intent to defraud.

The appeal was heard by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor who, in quashing the conviction, gave the advice that normally a trial Judge might rest assured that material questions would be put to witnesses by Counsel engaged in the case.

In the Lower Court proceedings, appellant was alleged to have uttered the receipt to Tsang Wan-cheung, a clerk, purported to be signed by Mr. J. Davies, of the Colonial Secretary's Office. Mr. Davies was at one time owner of the car, which subsequently became the property of Messrs. Gilman and Co.

Appearing for the appellant, Mr. C.A.S. Russ submitted that while there was no doubt whatever that the receipt was a forgery, it was the duty of the prosecution to prove that his client had intended to defraud or that he was aware the document was false. The prosecution had not done so, and in fact the evidence adduced by them was more consistent with the appellant having the legal right to the property than anything else.

STORY REASONABLE

His client's case was that the property had passed on to him, and the fact that the hire purchase agreement was in the possession of Messrs. Gilman and Co., and which was not produced by the prosecution, showed that his story was reasonable and should have been accepted.

The agreement was made with a broker named Leung, who had disappeared and to whom \$950 had been paid. Whether or not the money was handed to Messrs. Gilman and Co. was no concern of appellants. After he had got the car, appellant had raised \$500 on it. The complainant in the case did not give evidence, otherwise he would have been cross-examined on this.

MAGISTRATE'S METHODS

Continuing, Mr. Russ said he strenuously objected to the method in which the case had been conducted.

"I would like to have a ruling as to how a prying Magistrate is entitled at the close of a case to order an adjournment, and then subject a defendant to a searching cross-examination, as in the present instance."

"For a Magistrate to descend from the dignity of the Bench and cross-examine the defendant for an hour is unprecedented, and the whole procedure was improper and unlawful."

His Lordship: Have you any authority which will indicate the point in which interposition from the Bench is not allowed?

Mr. Russ: None whatever, but in this case there had been an adjournment at the end of the case and the defendant was then subjected to a lengthy cross-examination. If there had been a doubt in the Magistrate's mind, he should have given the benefit of it to the defendant.

APPEAL ALLOWED

Replying for the Crown, Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, submitted that the evidence fully showed the appellant intended to sell the car which in fact was not his. The document came into existence because the appellant wanted to have the money without referring to Messrs. Gilman and Co. If the car was his, the appellant should at once have gone to Gilman's instead of the man Leung.

Allowing the appeal, His Lordship remarked that it was one of the most interesting he had heard for a long time. "The appellant," he said, "was charged with uttering a named person a forged document with intent to defraud and knowing the same to be forged."

"When the case was opened it became immediately apparent that the complainant was not within jurisdiction and was not to be called, and

New Governor Of Bengal

London, Feb. 23. In view of the death of Lord Brabourne the King has approved the appointment of Sir Robert Neil Reid to act as Governor of Bengal, and of Mr. Henry Joseph Twynham to act as Governor of Assam in the absence of Sir R. N. Reid.—British Wireless.

Dog-Owners In Court

Three Europeans were summoned before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for having allowed their dogs to be baving without a muzzle or leash.

Mrs. Rossett, of Broadwood Road, was fined \$5. She told the Court that the animal was kept in the garden and had apparently gone out through the gate.

Mr. Edwards said that it was her duty to take care of the dog. Mr. R. W. Ashby of Stanley, was fined \$15. His representative pleaded guilty.

Mr. Freeman of Stanley Barracks, was fined \$5. A representative admitted the offence. Sergeant T. Cashman was in charge of the prosecution.

European's Injuries In Lorry-Driver's Escapade

THE STORY of a motor-lorry driver's wild drive through Canton Road at 7 o'clock in the morning, when over 2,000 workmen at the nearby naval dockyards were streaming through the streets, was told in Kowloon Court this morning.

UNIVERSITY AS SCENE OF TRICK

USING THE NAME of the University of Hongkong as his bait, an unknown Chinese had obtained possession of a typewriter by means of an age-old trick.

According to a report made to the police this morning the man entered the offices of Messrs. Wang Brothers, dealers in typewriters, and ordered a portable typewriter, valued at \$165, to be delivered to the University Library.

When the coolie arrived at the University Library, the man was waiting, and took possession of the machine.

"He signed the receipt with a chop, which was subsequently discovered to be an instrument of forgery."

When the manager of the firm went to collect payment yesterday, he discovered that the "buyer" was unknown to the University.

Like the buyer, the typewriter had also disappeared.

the prosecution alone to prove beyond any reasonable doubt the guilt of the appellant.

"His conduct undoubtedly was highly suspicious, and there is a great deal of evidence tending to show he is a forger and a liar."

"But the charge is neither forgery nor perjury, and there is singularly little evidence to establish his guilt on the charge which is actually brought against him."

"In my judgment the trial was unsatisfactory for many reasons, and therefore the appeal is to be allowed and the conviction quashed."

During the course of his reckless speeding, the driver struck a rickshaw in which Mr. R. J. Oxenham was a passenger.

Mr. Oxenham was thrown to the ground with such violence that he had to spend a fortnight in hospital.

It was hinted in Court this morning that the injured Englishman was contemplating civil proceedings against the driver.

The driver, Lee Sun, was charged by Traffic Sergeant A. Bethell with driving at a speed dangerous to the public.

After evidence had been given the man was fined \$25 and was ordered to pay \$25 compensation to the rickshaw coolie.

New Syrian Government

Damascus, Feb. 23. Mr. Loufi Haffar, Finance Minister in the outgoing Syrian Cabinet, has formed a new Government, one of whose first tasks will be to deal with the confused state of Syria's relations with France.—Ruter.

THE NEW CABINET

After 11 unsuccessful attempts to form a new Government, the revised Syrian Cabinet was announced today, and is as follows:

Premier and Education Loufi Haffar
Interior and Defence Nazhar Pashia
Foreign Affairs and Finance Fayez Khouri
Justice Nassib Bakri
National Economy Selim Jeannart.

Two of the Ministers are Christian. Political circles here do not believe the new Ministry will survive very long.—Trans-Ocean.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Feb. 24, 1889.
At the opening of Parliament the Queen's speech referred to the warlike preparations of other European states, which necessitated an increase in our precautionary measures for the safety of our shores and commerce. While acknowledging that our relations with other Powers were friendly, it was not to be assumed that these feelings were unchangeable.

25 YEARS AGO

Feb. 23, 1914.
"Reuter's" Berlin correspondent says in the debate on the Navy Estimates, Admiral von Tirpitz said the number of ships which, according to the Navy law, should be serving in foreign waters had not yet been reached. It would be their aim in the next few years to reach that number. He declared that stronger naval representation abroad was not only a political and economic necessity, but also a military necessity. He was firmly convinced that the political necessity of giving effect to the Navy law.

Herr Baerwald, leader of the National Liberals, said that though Anglo-German relations had improved, an alliance must remain "a beautiful dream." They would not allow the building programme to be disturbed.

"Reuter's" Washington correspondent says Governor Goethals, who was English-born-Chief of the Panama Canal, predicts that merchant shipping will be able to pass through the Panama Canal by the 1st July.

10 YEARS AGO

Feb. 21, 1929.
The German Consul at Constantinople has forwarded to the German Foreign Office, Trotsky's request for permission to enter Germany.

5 YEARS AGO

Feb. 24, 1934.
The future of silver, as was expected with the air full of rumours of impending action by the United States to force an increase in price, occupied a prominent place in the speech of Mr. T. E. Pearce, who presided at the annual meeting this morning of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Mr. Pearce revealed that the Bank's attitude was unchanged, no change still holding the view that government interference aiming at bringing about an artificial rise will almost certainly do more harm than good. The London Silver Agreement was condemned as setting a precedent for attempting to control the supply of silver, the chairman declaring that the step has been an encouragement to speculators.

Fears were also expressed that China's recovery might be delayed longer than in the rest of the world, and it was also suggested that the American currency experiments might act as a brake on general world prosperity.

A warning against too high expectations in the coming Budget was uttered by the Chancellor Chamberlain, in the course of a speech at Plymouth tonight.

Then again, the position of our defence forces must be considered. The reductions which have been effected in expenditure on the army, navy and air force by the postponement of building and the development of stores could not be continued indefinitely.

Referring to the outcry for a larger air force, Mr. Neville Chamberlain remarked that the aeroplane was no substitute for the cruiser.

His speech is generally interpreted as a warning of bigger defence appropriations in the coming Budget.

Helen Lockhart (Contralto) From the Studio

MESSAGE TO THE SCOUTS

Radio Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c.s. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 9-11 p.m. on 952 m.c.s. per second.

6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.
(a) Little Heaven of the Seven Seas; (b) It's De Lovely; (c) You're as pretty as a picture; (d) Bob White.

6.14 Record: Bubbling Over (Gibbons); Moonbeams Dance (Gibbons); Piano Solo by Carroll Gibbons.
6.21 (a) Music, for Sweethearts; (b) I'm a lock my heart; (c) Sleepy time Gal; (d) Jingle Bells.

6.35 Records: Three Little Words (from 'Check and Double Check'); Len Fells (Banjo) with Piano; The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise (Steitz); Len Fells (Hawaiian Guitar) with Piano; Two Three Eyes (from 'Cock O' the North'; Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

6.45 London Relay—A Message to the Scouts of the Empire.
By The Lord Somers, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., M.C., Deputy Chief Scout of the British Empire.

7.02 Closing local Stock Quotations.
Voices of Spring (J. Strauss); Ferdy Kaulman and His Orchestra; When The Lemons Bloom (J. Strauss); Doctrien (J. Strauss); Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.

7.15 London Relay—The Club of Queer Trades.
By G. K. Chesterton, Episode 2: 'The Painted Fall of a Great Reputation'; Adapted for Broadening by Douglas Cleverdon; The Characters: Basil Grant; Gilbert Swinburne; Sir Walter Cholmondeley; Wimpole; Lord Beaumont; John Drummond; Muriel Beaumont; a Duchess; Taximen; a Butler; Production by Michael Goodwin.

7.40 London Relay—A Recital of Irish Songs by Denis Cox (Baritone).
Who'er she be (arr. Nino Batholomew); Rollying Song (arr. Galagher); The Bard of Armagh (arr. Larcher); Ruddy-bow-wow (arr. Nino Batholomew); The Bold, Unbiddable Child (Stanford).

7.55 Sir Hamilton Harty—An Irish Symphony—Scherzo.
Sir Hamilton Harty conducting The Halle Orchestra.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Perth—The Fair Maid of Perth—Suite.
Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orch.

8.23 Studio—Recital by Helen Lockhart (Contralto) with E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.

1. Down here (Brahms); (b) My dearest heart (Sullivan); (c) Two Eyes of Grey (McGeoch); Helen Lockhart (Contralto) with Piano accompaniment by E. O'Neill Shaw; 2. (a) Nocturne (Giere); (b) Prelude

Naval Man Is Dismissed Service
A Court Martial on board H.M.S. Eagle yesterday found Acting Petty Officer Robinson guilty on a serious charge and sentenced him to six months' imprisonment and to be dismissed the Service. The Court comprised: Capt. C. Moody (President), Cmdr. E. E. Lee, Cmdr. C. F. Foster Hull, Cmdr. F. M. Wallon and Cmdr. A. M. Spurgeon.

EUROPEANS FINED FOR MOTORING OFFENCES

SEVERAL EUROPEANS were amongst those summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning for traffic offences.

J. Vanderham, of 25 Kennedy Road, summoned for parking his car in Pedder Street over the time limit of two hours on February 10 was fined \$10.

A. H. Hutchison, of "Lera," Island Road, and Miss L. Fearon, of D'Almeida House, Fanling, were each fined \$4 for similar offences. For parking overtime, A. W. Holland, of Messrs. Furness (Far East), and N. R. Kirk, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, were each fined \$2.

I. Mahan Singh, of 5 D'Aguilar Street, was fined \$5 for leaving his car unattended in the city on February 7. A fine of \$4 was imposed on C. K. Lau, of 10 Dragon Terrace, for a similar offence on the same date.

A fine of \$3 was imposed on a chauffeur, Mui Shui-kam, on a summons for speeding in Potfulum Road, on a second summons for driving without due care and caution, Mui was fined \$12.

Defendant pleaded that his master, a high Chinese Government official, had ordered him to drive quickly to town.

Summoned for failing to produce his licence when called upon to do so by a police officer, Chan Fat, chauffeur of private car No. 5553, was fined \$10.

Traffic-Inspector S. C. Saunders said that defendant refused to produce his licence until he was brought to Central Police Station. Defendant had previously had his driving licence suspended for 10 months. The Traffic Department added the Inspector, regarded the case seriously.

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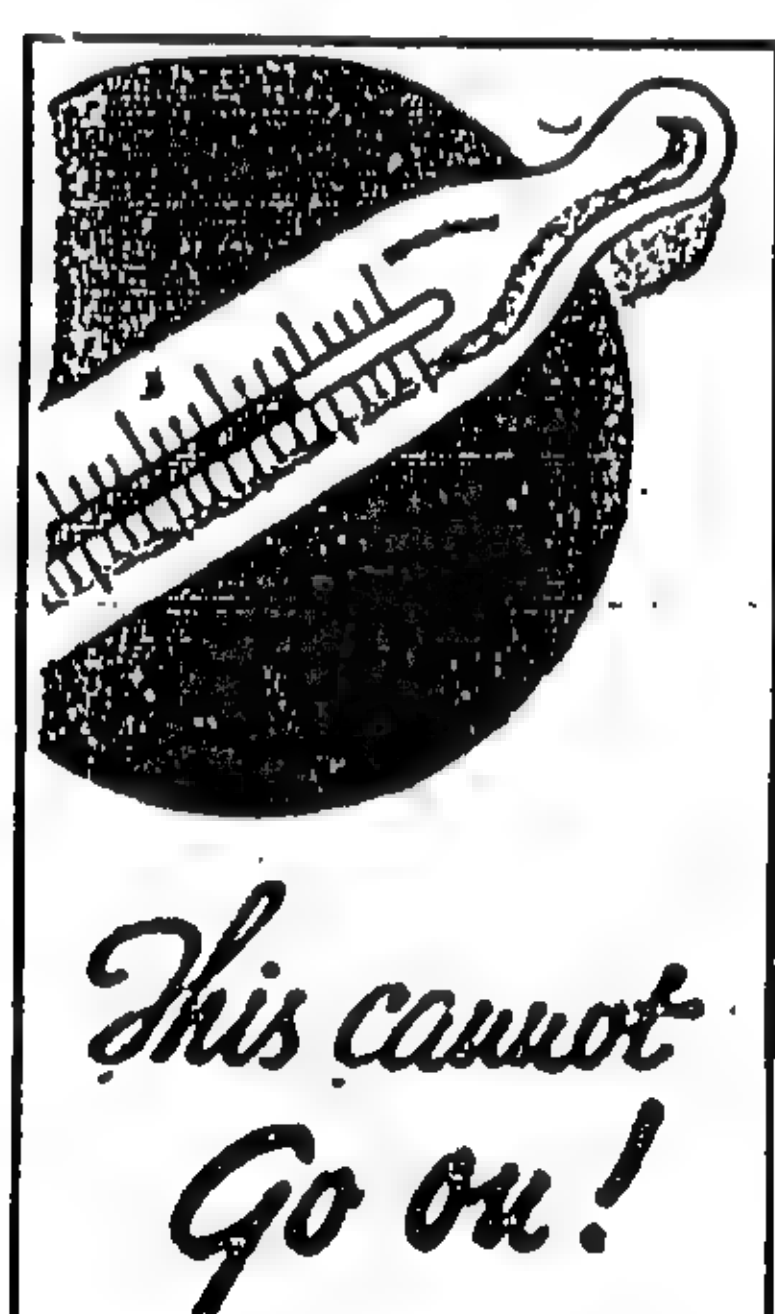


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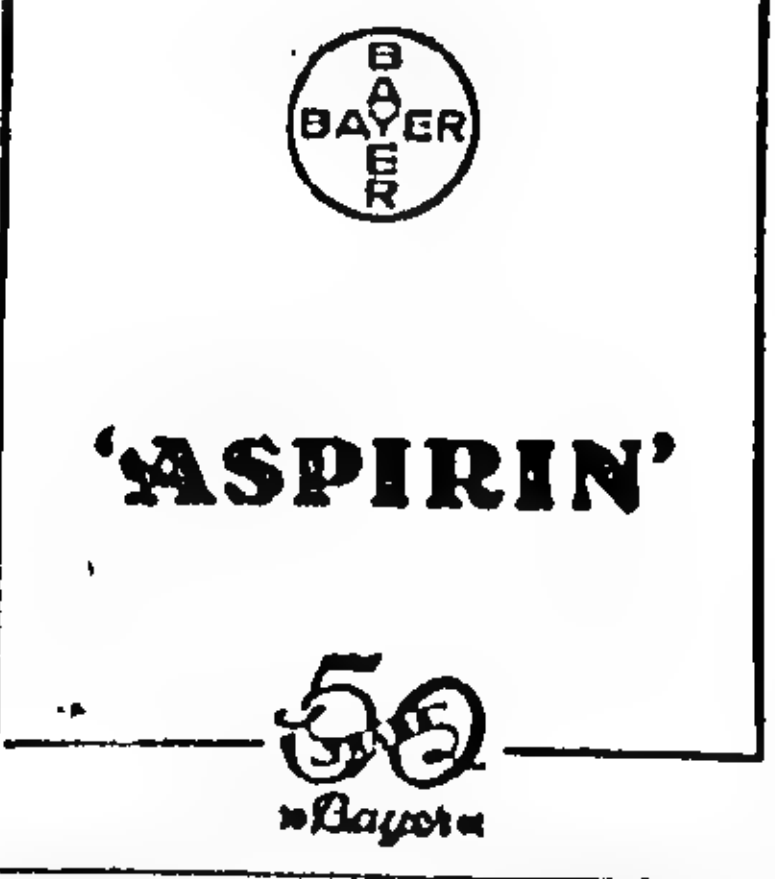
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- BD-5441 The Chestnut Tree—Quick step
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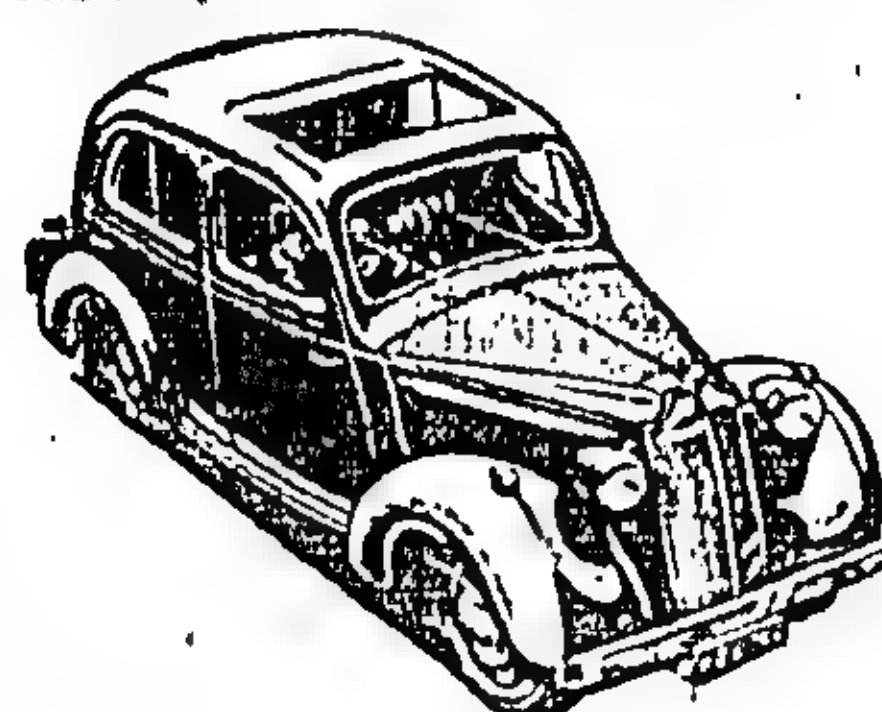
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Telling Japan

HASTILY, Japan has now apologised for the violation of Hongkong territory, has promised indemnification for the dead and wounded.

What happened in Tokyo yesterday to bring forth this quick manifestation of penitence after the almost contemptuous way the affair was treated on Tuesday and Wednesday?

We know that the Japanese War Office on Wednesday afternoon issued an entirely untruthful version of the incident, in which it claimed that only one plane had violated British territory and that only one bomb had been dropped. The communiqué, again untruthfully, claimed that an apology had also been made to His Excellency the Governor in Hongkong.

Yesterday's apology comes from the Japanese Foreign office with a celerity that has been equalled only by the apology for the bombing and sinking of the U.S.S. Panay. It occurred after the Japanese Foreign Minister had received a visit from the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie.

It emphasises the world that exists between Japan's civil administration and its armed force. No one believes that the Japanese Government wants these perpetual demands for apologies that have brought upon it the contempt of the civilised world. But the Japanese Government has far less control over its Army and Navy than has the Shanghai Municipal Council over its terrorists. It must go on apologising as its irresponsible militarists go on creating incidents, with the fear ever present that one day in the not-so-distant future there will come an incident that will not be answerable by an apology.

Despite the alacrity with which Japan has apologised in the present instance, it is possible that the incident is far from closed. Great Britain, it is believed in London, is preparing to follow its formal protest with the despatch of the bluntest Note she has addressed to Japan since the conflict in China started nearly two years ago.

It will probably say in diplomatic language that Great Britain will not stand by if the irresponsible militarists who really control Japan's policy continue to deliberately encroach further and further on our rights and violate our privileges.

Britain, this time, may mean business.

Insofar as Hongkong is concerned, we would like to see the Japanese publicly warned, as the Spanish insurgents were warned by France, that any future acts of violence in our territory will be met with violence. On the occasion of the first violation of Hongkong territory, this warning was, we understand, conveyed to the Japanese commanders verbally. That, apparently, was insufficient.



At the
Tomb of Lenin

by HUGH DALTON, M.P.

FIFTEEN years ago, Lenin died. To his Tomb, in the Red Square

of Moscow, pilgrims come from all over the Soviet Union, and from all the ends of the earth. In homely words, literally true, they "come to see Lenin."

The Tomb is fashioned of great slabs of the most beautiful marble, from the Urals and the Ukraine, all red, though with rich variety of shade and grain. The roof is flat and all the outer surfaces are smooth, free of all ornamental fuss.

Two young soldiers of the Red Army stand on guard at the entrance, and two more in the chamber within, a little below the level of the ground, where Lenin's body lies embalmed, under a high glass case, lit by a mellow golden light diffused from above.

Behind this perfectly proportioned Mausoleum rises the high wall of the Kremlin, over which flies the Red Flag, floodlit at night. It is a magnificently theatrical scene.

I saw Lenin in August, 1932. I gazed into the peaceful face, tired but content, and marvelled at the little shapely hands, folded on a cloth of purple and black.

A few days later I also heard Lenin. His voice was high-pitched and insistent, speaking on a gramophone record in the flat of Sokolnikov, the Ambassador whom Moscow sent to London in response to Arthur Henderson's invitation in 1929, and whom Moscow sentenced, in 1937, to ten years' imprisonment, as a member of the so-called "anti-Soviet Trotskyite centre."

LENIN was a very great man. In critical days his personal intervention changed the course of history. But for him there would have been no Union of Soviet Republics.

It, in 1917, his opponents in Russia had prevailed, a general break-up of that vast country would probably have followed, under weak and indecisive Liberal Governments, drifting into a welter of reactionary chaos.

Lenin's greatness lay, not in his theoretical arguments, but in his practical genius as a man of

action. He was a first-class politician, a superb tactician, a constructive Socialist of immense courage and imaginative insight. His books are dull, but his acts were thrilling.

When he died, he had laid the foundations of the first large-scale Socialist Commonwealth in the history of mankind. He bequeathed to the Russian people an unprecedented opportunity to build, on these foundations, a happy, free, prosperous, classless society of equals, and by the force of their example and the visible success of their experiment, to convert the rest of the world to Socialism.

SINCE then fifteen years have passed. The unprecedented opportunity is still there, waiting to be realised. Lenin, I think, would contemplate with mixed feelings the Soviet Union of to-day.

In its official foreign policy the Soviet Government has set an admirable example to us all. Of all the Great Powers it has been the most loyal member of the

League of Nations, the most clear-sighted and outspoken supporter of the principle of Collective Security.

Maxim Litvinov, the proponent of the indivisibility of peace, has been an outstanding figure at Geneva. In March, 1938, after the seizure of Austria, he urged an international conference to determine ways and means of preventing the repetition of such an event.

His proposal was rejected by Britain and France, and a repetition came in September. We now await, with growing apprehension, the next repetition.

On the other hand, the unofficial foreign policy of the Comintern, for which the Soviet Government, not quite convincingly, denies responsibility, has been consistently stupid and vexatious.

Guided by doctrinaire ignorance of political conditions abroad, it has multiplied ill-judged manoeuvres and commented damaging divisions within the Socialist and Trade Union movements in many countries. It did much to help the triumph of Mussolini in Italy and of Hitler in Germany.

It has furnished a convenient pretext for the creation of the so-

called Anti-Comintern P. t. which, in reality an anti-German, anti-British, anti-French, anti-Russian and anti-American combination.

Communist irritants, in this country, have constantly antagonised the Labour Movement and stood in the way of whole-hearted friendly co-operation with the Soviet Union. It would be an act of practical wisdom, worthy of the successors of Lenin, to dissolve the Comintern and many of its constituent parties, including the British.

Of the internal record of the Soviet Union, part would have delighted Lenin, but part would have disappointed him.

THE audacious conception of the series of Five Year Plans, the liberation of the Soviet economy from the booms and slumps of the capitalist outer world, and of Soviet foreign trade from dependence on capitalist credits, all these are striking contributions to practical Socialist economics.

But, on the other hand, there are dark shadows in the picture. In agriculture and transport, in particular, there is evidence of grave and persistent muddle, often mis-called "sabotage."

Moreover, in the last few years, there has been increasing difficulty in obtaining accurate, first-hand information.

There has been a surprising and unexpected decrease in facilities for visiting the Soviet Union. In London, Soviet visas were scarcely to be had last year. Nor are Soviet citizens yet permitted to travel freely abroad.

The new democratic constitution exists only on paper, and the pressure of the Dictatorship on the individual seems not to be relaxed. The Soviet emblems to-day are not only a hammer and a sickle, but a gigantic question mark. What is really going on inside the closed country?

And what is the direction of movement?

YET three dominant impressions remain.

Planned Socialism, even though the planners have sometimes been miscalculated, and even though they have to work in very difficult conditions, has great accomplishments to its credit.

The Soviet Dictatorship, whatever may be said in criticism of it, has made more possibility of peaceful change into more democratic forms than do other contemporary Dictatorships.

And, finally, the Soviet Union, in sharp distinction from these other Dictatorships, is a force for peace in international relations. It plots no wars of aggression against its neighbours. It is a defensive, not an offensive, force.

For this reason, above all, it has been one of the most criminal follies of British foreign policy since 1931 not to co-operate more closely with this most peaceful Great Power. It is not yet quite too late—though the sands are fast running out—to repair this folly.

Finance Juggler No. 1

HJALMAR HORACE GREELEY SCHACHT has been Germany's nearest financial acrobat. He made his name in the 1923 collapse of the mark when it needed thousands of millions of marks to buy a single loaf of bread.

Schacht was made president of the Reichsbank, founded a new currency and announced that people would be given one new mark in exchange for every 1,000,000,000,000 old ones.

In those days he was a democrat, a man of the Left. His first job had been tutoring the sons of a Jewish banker. From that he had risen slowly to be partner in the firm of

Jacob Goldschmidt, the well-known Jewish banker.

But as years went by, Schacht changed. As president of the Reichsbank he dropped his Liberal ideas and enjoyed picturing himself as the mouthpiece of big finance.

In 1929 he resigned from the Reichsbank because The Hague conference decided to make Germany go on paying reparations.

He retired to his country estate at Gueltern, near Berlin, "to sit still and raise pigs." He became fiercely anti-Socialist. The Nazis began to cast their eyes on him.

When they came to power in January, 1933, they called him back to his old job at the Reichsbank. They made him Minister of Eco-

nomics, too. He became Germany's economic dictator.

So the ex-democrat trimmed himself to suit the Nazis. He had been a keen freemason, but he resigned his membership when the Nazis started putting freemasons in concentration camps.

It has been Schacht's wizardry that has stopped Germany going bankrupt—as any "orthodox" country would have done years ago if it had been conducting itself as Nazi Germany has done.

Schacht invented the system of prospering on debts. He likes to owe everybody something. Then he can threaten them: "We shan't pay you back unless..."

In that way many of the small countries of Europe have taken their orders from him.

He has clamped on Germany a rigid financial control. There is no free buying and selling of marks, as there is of pounds or francs. So Schacht has been able to give Germany the advantage of being both on and off the gold standard.

But he has ridden uneasily. He has never got on with the Nazi extremists. Several times he appealed for clemency towards the Jews. He found world horror at the pogroms prevented people from buying German goods.

In November, 1937, the extreme Nazis managed to rob Schacht of the Ministry of Economics. Dr. Funk, a real Nazi Party man, took over the job.

Now Schacht, 63 years old, with his tall, starched collar, his snub nose, his yurling in the middle of his hair, his tooth-brush moustache, goes altogether.

Perhaps there is now a little irony about the middle names his peasant parents gave him. Horace Greeley was the American editor who originated the slogan, "Go West, Young Man!"

Herr Dr. Funk, 49 years old, an ex-journalist, stout and swarthy, "flooding" the "Yes-man," steps eagerly into Dr. Schacht's shoes. W.S.

**Church Service
Banned**

A PROPOSED Holy Communion service for Anglicans and Nonconformists, to be conducted by a woman minister, has been cancelled.

The minister was to have been the Rev. Hilda Peppman, who has had charge of a Congregational Church at Newhaven.

The service was planned to take place at Ridley Hall, Cambridge, during the conference of the Society for the Ministry of Women—an inter-denominational body.

"NOT AUTHORISED" Ridley Hall is a Church of England theological college for the instruction of ordinands; the chapel is licensed by the Bishop of Ely, but not consecrated.

The Bishop of Ely said "The proposed service was not authorised by me, and I should not be able to authorise it. A service to be attended by Anglicans and Free Church people would be irregular from the point of view of the Church of England."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Out of hatpins again—how in thunder do you expect me to clean my pipe?"

QUESTIONS ON STAR FERRY FLEET

Sufficient Vessels For The Present

New Boats Unlikely Owing To Pier Leases Uncertainty

DURING ANNUAL meeting of Star Ferry Company this morning questions were asked as to sufficiency of the Company's boats. In his reply the Chairman said that in view of the uncertainty of pier leases after 1949 the Company did not propose to build any more boats unless traffic increased so enormously that, as a public utility, the Company would have to meet larger demands.

Chairman revealed that monthly ticket holders increased by 27 per cent. during 1938, when over 15,000,000 passengers were carried.

Price of coal had so increased that Working Expenses were 23.48 per cent. higher than 1937.

Tributes were paid to Messrs. H. Brokenshire, D. A. Doyle, J. Hawkin and another unknown foreigner who "so pluckily jumped into the harbour; amidst a tangle of wreckage, and helped the ferry crew to rescue 22 occupants of a junk" sunk by the Meridian Star.

The meeting took place in the Board Room of Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., and the following attended: Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Chairman), Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. T. B. Wilson and Mr. H. V. Wilkinson (Directors), Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Messrs. J. Hyde, A. R. Fullerton, D. Mackenzie, H. B. S. Harrison, W. M. Groves, P. M. Hodgson, W. J. Brown, J. H. Seth, E. G. Smith, J. D. Danby and J. Gardner (Shareholders), Major M. C. Minners (Secretary).

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman said: With your permission I will take the Report and Statement of Accounts as read. During 1938 there was an increase in all classes of passenger traffic, the receipts increasing by 11.62%, but there was a decrease in the amount earned for the carriage of cargo; this came to 13.1%.

The outstanding feature of the returns is an increase of 27.3% in the number of monthly ticket holders; in December there were 5,551 monthly tickets issued. The increase of course are attributable to our growing population; during the year over 15,000,000 passengers were carried.

In October, trains ceased to run beyond Shumchun when war broke out in South China. Lately, however, local traffic by road and rail seems to have increased.

The increase in profit enables your Directors to recommend a final dividend of \$4.25, making a total of \$6.25 or \$0.50 more than that paid for 1937.

Last year I drew attention to the advance in the price of coal. In 1938, while consumption was about the same, cost increased by 45%, while the increase in 1937 when compared with 1936 was 22%. I am glad to say that we have this year been able to secure a coal contract 7.4% below the 1938 figure.

As a result of the increased price of coal and other stores, the Working Expenses have increased by \$70,354.06 which is 23.48% higher than the previous year.

A circular letter was sent to all shareholders on June 29, 1938, about our Pier Leases which expire in 1949. We have no more information. As soon as any definite news is available it will be circulated to all shareholders without delay.

I regret to have to report one major accident during the year which resulted in the sinking of a loaded native junk and damage to our "Meridian Star", but fortunately no lives were lost. I want to thank Messrs. H. Brokenshire, D. A. Doyle, J. Hawkin and another foreigner whose name is unknown, who were passengers on the ferry and who so pluckily jumped into the harbour amidst a tangle of wreckage and helped the ferry crew to rescue 22 occupants of the junk.

All the Company's craft are in first-class condition and have passed the rigid inspection of the Government Marine Surveyors. The careful upkeep of the vessels is being fully maintained. They are all in good order and condition. As you know, the five-minute service was extended from April 22 to include the hours of 4.35 to 6.15 p.m. and 7.00 to 7.55 p.m. from Hongkong, and 4.30 to 6.10 p.m. and 7.05 and 7.50

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with others?

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Russia Claims Mightiest Navy

MOSCOW, Feb. 23. THE NEW Commissariat for Naval Affairs, M. Frinovsky to-day declared that Russia has the highest fleet capable of attacking and destroying in the enemy's own waters. He claims that Soviet dockyards during the last few years "built many warships which were not only not worse, but actually better than the imperialists' fleets."—United Press.

DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT

Mr. Mackenzie Passes Away In Kuling

Mr. Allick Mackenzie, one of the oldest local employees of the Standard-Vacuum Company, who had been seriously ill in the Country Hospital at Kuling for nearly ten months, passed away at the mountain resort on Thursday of last week, February 16, according to a telegram just received in Hongkong.

POIGNANT FEATURE

Although Mr. Mackenzie's death occurred last week, owing to the difficulty of communicating with the outside world from Kuling, news of his passing did not reach Hongkong until this morning. It came through the Kuling office of the Standard-Vacuum.

A poignant feature of the last few days of Mr. Mackenzie's life was the knowledge that he would be physically unfit to escape with other foreigners from Kuling, who had been guaranteed safe conduct through the Chinese and Japanese military lines around Kuling, prior to the threatened Japanese attack on the mountain resort which is expected to take place shortly.

Mr. Mackenzie's death, in fact, occurred three days after the Japanese had agreed to extend the time limit for foreigners to evacuate the resort before the Japanese launched their attacks, and a week before the Japanese had agreed to the establishment of a safety zone for foreigners remaining in Kuling.

DUE FOR RETIREMENT

Mr. Mackenzie had spent the last 27 years in the employ of the Standard-Vacuum Company, and before his illness which prevented him from returning to work again, became head of the statistical department in Hongkong.

Born in Hongkong, Mr. Mackenzie attained his 51st birthday last November, and he was due for retirement in the near future.

Of an extremely happy and endearing disposition, Mr. Mackenzie was greatly admired and respected among a very large community in Hongkong. Keenly interested in all forms of progressive movements, he was a staunch rationalist for a number of years, and was a member of the Home Society.

A talented artist, he made water-colour painting and architectural designing his hobbies in his younger days.

One of the earliest members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, he remained on its membership until he left for Kuling last year, whilst he was for many years an active member of the V.L.C., where he rowed and swam, and a member of the Kowloon Golf Club.

The immediate relatives left to mourn his memory are Mrs. Mackenzie (widow), Miss Alison Mackenzie (daughter), Mrs. E. Abraham and Miss Violet Mackenzie (sisters), and a brother, His daughter is at present in England, but the remaining relatives are in Hongkong.

Govt. Aid For Cereal Growers

London, Feb. 23. Additional Government assistance to growers of barley and oats was indicated to-day by the Minister of Agriculture in the House of Commons, who said that when a long-term policy was settled, it would be applied retrospectively as far as practicable in respect to the 1938 crops of both cereals.—Reuter Special.

Premier To Resign From League Of Nations Union

LONDON, Feb. 23. THE ANNOUNCEMENT that Mr. Neville Chamberlain will shortly resign from the League of Nations Union, of which he is honorary President, has not surprised political circles here. In view of the Premier's criticism of the League in the House of Commons last Tuesday. Mr. Chamberlain's resignation, it is stated, will be motivated by the failure of the Union to observe absolute neutrality in regard to questions of home policy.

PALESTINE TALKS COST HOME GOVT. £14,400

LONDON, Feb. 23. THE PALESTINE CONFERENCES were mentioned in the House of Commons when the Colonial Secretary moved a supplementary estimate of £14,400 on account of expenses incurred in connection with the conferences.

Mr. MacDonald said how delighted the Government had been to welcome the various representatives to London.

He continued: "Members of the conference have a great responsibility and a great opportunity. If they can, in co-operation, bring peace in Palestine by agreement they will be doing something which is in the best interests of the Arabs and Jews alike in Palestine, and which will earn the gratitude of many millions of people in all parts of the earth, who are anxious that the disorders should come to an end in a land which is holy for Christians, Moslems and Jews alike."

Mr. Attlee, supporting the vote said: "We are all deeply concerned if these discussions should succeed. We realise the enormous issues involved and the complexity of these questions. I am glad the Secretary of State stressed the responsibility of those taking part. I think that responsibility is not only for the future of Palestine—it may concern the future of the world, because if at this time we can get a peaceable settlement between these conflicting races, it may set an example that may be followed by the rest of the world."

"The House would have other opportunities of discussing matters involved and he urged members should abstain from raising issues at present stage. He was supported by Sir Percy Harris for the Liberals, and Mr. Maxton, and the vote was agreed to without division.

OTHER EXPENDITURES

Other supplementary estimates on account of Palestine were presented by the Colonial Secretary including £1,120,700 in connection with the defence of Palestine and Trans-Jordan, as well as a grant-in-aid of expenditure incurred by the Palestine Government arising out of the disturbances. Both had been necessitated by deterioration in the situation which had occurred subsequent to the presentation of the original estimates, and which had involved the despatch of police and military reinforcements to Palestine, and at the same time had adversely affected the revenues of the Palestine Government.

"It is at least satisfactory," said Mr. MacDonald "that as a result of military and police reinforcements, and of the extra expenditure, the position in Palestine has improved slowly but surely over recent months. At the time when reinforcements were arriving there were centres and areas where writ of government had practically ceased to run. Even in Jerusalem itself, there was at that time a situation in which some of the forces of the city, but as a result of the activities of our security forces in the country, the authority of the Government had been gradually extended again over the country, and the campaign which had been waged against large bands of rebels had been successful in reducing their activities practically to a minimum."

"The main trouble now is the constant series of individual acts of sabotage and assassination which are far more difficult to deal with, and which will take a long time to suppress altogether. "In a recent speech I used the phrase that the military could restore order in Palestine but they could not bring peace. That task is for the Government and Parliament, and is a political problem, but it is satisfactory that so far as the restoration of order is concerned the activity of the military and police has been so considerable a degree successful in recent months."—British Wireless.

18,000 MORE ORDERS The new huge outlay by Morris Motors has been necessitated by the great increase in orders, which for the period from September to January are 18,000 up on the previous year.

All the assembly lines have been speeded up and in many shops overtime is being worked. The directors' decision will mean work for thousands in all parts of the country.

"The confidence in the return of an era of renewed prosperity lies behind the decision," an official of the company said.

Prince Hussein Takes Message To M. Lebrun

PARIS, Feb. 23. PRINCE HUSSEIN, delegate to the Palestine conference, who has been in Palestine for some days, was received by M. Lebrun this afternoon, and handed to him a message from his father, the Imam of Yemen. Considerable reference is displayed regarding the nature of the message, but it is understood that it concerns affairs of the State, and mentions another Power. Prince Hussein asked to see M. Bonnet to-morrow.—Reuter Special.

Britain's Army For Overseas

Pert Question In The House Of Commons

LONDON, Feb. 23. Asked by Lieut-Commander Fletcher in the House of Commons to-day whether it remains Government policy that there is no need to enlist large numbers of infantrymen with a view to service on the Continent, the Prime Minister replied that the policy was to recruit to the establishment of the army as appears in the 1939 estimates.

That establishment was fixed with regard to the calls which might be made on the army in any part of the world.

Lieut-Commander Fletcher asked how the reply could be reconciled with the statement made by Sir Samuel Hoare last year that in case of an attack on France, we should have to co-operate immediately.

The Prime Minister said: "That is a question which I think cannot very well be debated in the present circumstances."—Reuter.

Morris Motors Enterprise

LONDON, Feb. 21. The directors of Morris Motors, Oxford, have backed their belief in "an era of renewed prosperity" by sanctioning the expenditure of three and a quarter million pounds on production materials.

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ANNUAL RACING CARNIVAL TO OPEN TO-MORROW

FIELDS LIKELY TO BE BIGGER: MORE GRIFFINS TO TAKE PART

(By "Captain Foster")

To-morrow at 11 a.m. sharp the Hongkong Jockey Club will ring the first saddling bell announcing the opening of their 1939 racing season. The Annual Carnival will be continued on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, terminating next Saturday. The meet has been awaited by the regular followers of the turf with the greatest enthusiasm, owing to the fact that the number of this season's griffins, both Australian and Chinese, is higher than that of last year and big fields will be expected every day.

There is no doubt that all means of access to the racecourse will be heavily taxed and it can be safely said that we shall see one of the biggest crowds ever assembled at Happy Valley on Monday on account of the popularity manifested in the special dollar cash sweep on the Hongkong Derby.

There are the usual 12 events on the first four days of racing, but only nine races will be contested on the fifth day. Those who are not fortunate enough to attend the meeting before lunch, are reminded that the sixth race on the first four days of racing is timed to run off at 3.00 p.m. after the fifth interval.

GREATER STAKE MONEY

A most interesting feature of the programme is the general increase in the stake money all round and the running of the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes in three divisions (as against two of last year) is an innovation owing to the increase of subscribers for China ponies.

These sub-griffins' races are very popular and the best gambling events among the punters, for the turning up of an unknown means a big pay-out. It is obvious that the condition of an animal plays an important part, but the worst period to train is undoubtedly during the winter months and it will be recalled that this year's batch of China ponies was delivered to their respective owners only a few days before Christmas. In the circumstance all the subs have no more than two months' preparation for the five days of racing and it would be interesting to know how many of them could maintain their form throughout the meeting. The Chinese and Russian trainers, who have brought up their chargers to a state of racing condition, but some barods (no matter what kind of training) will never come up to concert pitch as we all know that the trainers cannot manufacture speed.

SPLENDID GALLOPS BY CHINA PONIES

Last Saturday there were fireworks by the China steeds, especially by Magog, owned by Mrs. B. Hall, and Millaye, belonging to John Peel.

GLEANNINGS FROM THE RACE TRACK

For the time being the Rooty-Hill Derby appears to be an open event, but I still fancy Ruby Star and Chatterbox, but we will get a better line to-morrow after the running of the Sydney Maiden Stakes. I will not say that I was deeply impressed with the track performance of Laffat. That's a canter over the Derby course in 3.22 last Saturday, but the mare seemed to love the jump. I must, however, join in the chorus that the prospect of Laffat That is not to be laughed at, for the mare has a sensitive mouth and she is a nice mover.

Punters will be glad to learn that we have a good supply of first class jockeys, Messrs. F. Marshall, R. D. Moller and J. Pote-Hunt, being the latest arrivals from the north. Messrs. P. L. Chiu and T. Y. Wouh (brother of Mr. Y. K. Wouh) are making their debut and both of them are good riders.

I sincerely trust that readers will appreciate the fact that it is not an easy job to give tips as practically all the ponies have two or more engagements per day at the Annual Race Meeting and therefore, the task of ascertaining where they are to start has always been a nasty subject for racing writers. The declaration of running a pony in a race for which it has been entered is made on the day of the meeting at least 45 minutes before the time stated in the programme and in the circumstance there is no other recourse left than to employ horse-sense to the best of one's knowledge.

The Grand Stand and all the private boxes have had a good "clean up" and there is as usual a lovely display of seasonable and beautiful flowers on the lawns. The arrangement, especially in front of the Weighing Room, is really artistic.

Doubts Still Exist Over Rose Elect

But "Capt. Foster" Thinks She Will Win The Derby

There is still a division in the Happy Valley camp over Rose Elect's prospect of capturing the Blue Riband, one section of the touts being of the opinion that the mare cannot last the full distance. The Hongkong Derby, which ranks as the most exclusive test and strain over 1½ miles, will be celebrating its 67th running on February 27 and the first prize of the special dollar cash sweep, which has reached the colossal sum of 450,000 tickets, will be worth over \$200,000 to the lucky drawer of the first pony. This, in my opinion, will be either Hyndford Bridge, Navylight or Rose Elect. The order named by the writer is not to be understood that they stand cross the winning post in that position, but they have only been arranged alphabetically.

I may be accused of trying to elevate Rose Elect as high as the Victoria Peak, but I made up my mind long ago and I cannot, although my eyes are not like those of Argus, see anything to beat Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate, Hyndford Bridge, and Navylight will probably follow in the rear. If Mr. Clerk of the Weather will give us a little bit of the blue sky, the Hongkong Derby will be run in record time and I am afraid that the champion Silkylight will meet his Waterloo in the winner of this year's big classic event.

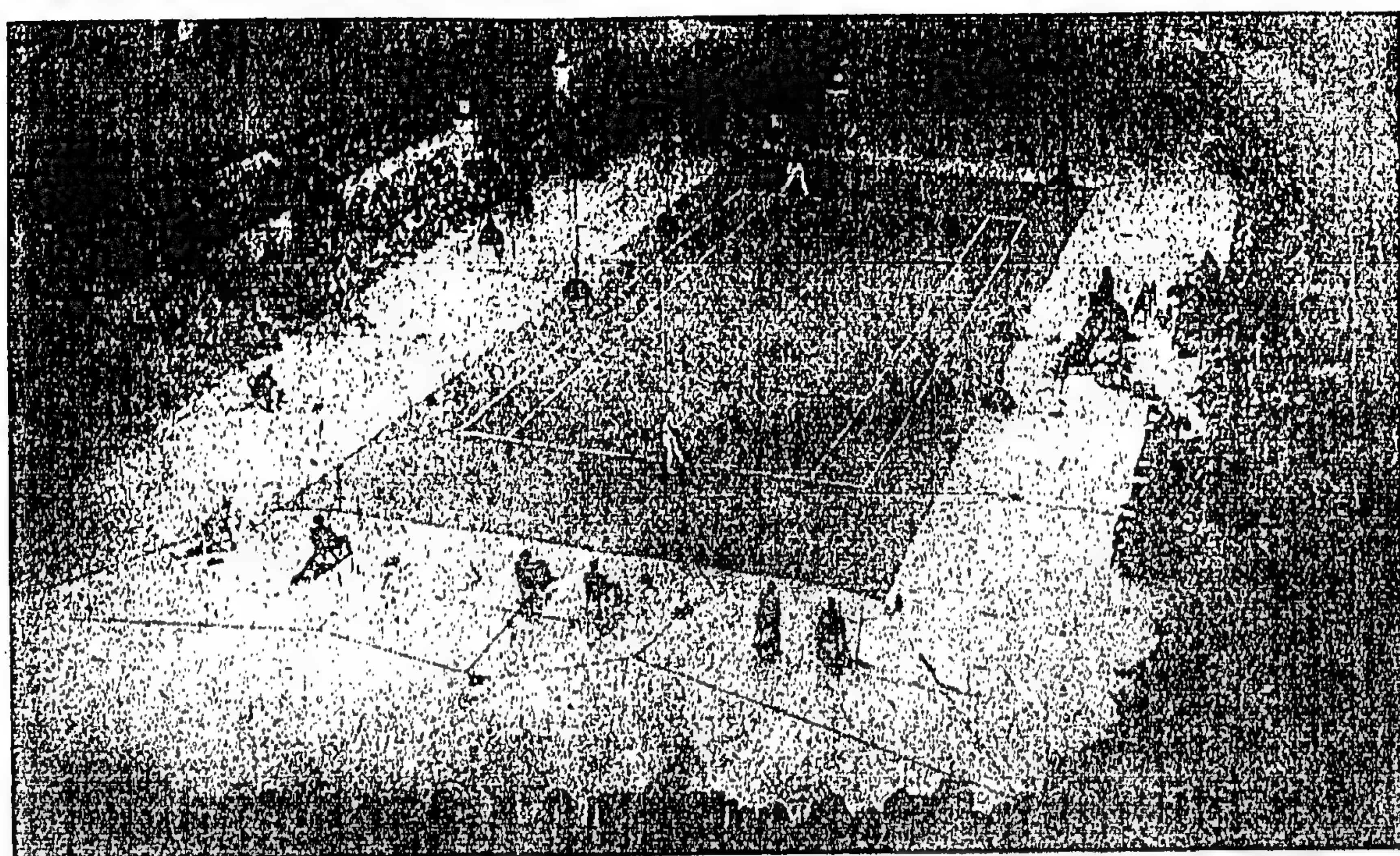
The former, with Mr. Needa up, and the latter, ridden by a small Russian boy from Mr. Pearce's stable, were shown over the champion course and they took just a fifth of a second inside two minutes 50 seconds to complete the circle, which was, without any question of doubt, a grand performance.

Hardly had the early birds got over this astounding gallop than Orange Boven, piloted by Mr. Encarnacao, and Sports Venture, steered by Mr. Poy, entertained the real crowd with a fast outing over a mile in 2.15 flat, romping home in 31½ seconds for the last quarter. Musketeer (the property of Chiu brothers), who has been considered after the draw as the best fower of the flock, has to be in a fine fettle to stand off the claim of these four candidates for first place in the Valley Stakes, which by the way is celebrating its 63rd birthday to-morrow.

I have a short memory, but I believe Mrs. B. Hall, who owns Gog Magog, is making her debut as an owner and it is to be hoped that she will be blessed with beginner's luck, which is very essential in racing. Her husband, Mr. F. C. Hall, who has now an interest in the John Peel stable, had very good luck when he was racing on joint account with Sir William Shenton under the style of "Hall and Shenton" and it may be of interest to reveal that they were the only stable to annex the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes (with The Quail) and the Valley Stakes (with The Grouse) in the same year. This was in 1931 and both China ponies were piloted by Mr. Leo Frost.

Following old custom the Hongkong Jockey Club will start the bill-rolling this evening at the Club House, Happy Valley, when three Selling Lotteries will be conducted on the Valley Stakes, the Hongkong Derby and the Rooty-Hill Derby. The cost of a chance is \$5. It is open to members, their wives and friends, and all non-members must be introduced by a member and their names entered in the Visitors' Book. The drawing starts at 6 p.m. sharp and I am certain that there will be some brisk biddings.

Referee Stops Slaughter In Title Fight



Scene in Boston Garden where Don Budge, recently turned professional, scored his second straight-set victory over Ellsworth Vines by 6-3, 8-6, 6-4. A crowd of 6,980 watched the exhibition. On the previous evening, in New York, Budge had beaten Vines by 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

ERIC BOON RETAINS HIS CROWN

Plucky Display By Danahar In Thrilling Bout

London, Feb. 23.

At Harringay Arena to-night, 13,000 boxing enthusiasts saw Eric Boon retain the British lightweight title by beating Arthur Danahar in one of the most thrilling fights seen in Great Britain.

The referee stopped the bout in the fourteenth round. The fight was to be over 15 rounds.

Both fought tooth and nail after the eighth round, which was the crux of the whole fight. Until then, Danahar, boxing coolly and calmly in the old time British upright position, scored innumerable lefts and rights and was leading on points. Then suddenly Boon landed a hard right to the jaw, flooring Danahar for a count of nine.

The challenger rose but a right and a left floored him again for a count of nine. Although groggy, he just weathered the round.

AMAZING PLUCK

Then the fun began; and when the referee stopped, the fight, Danahar had given an amazing example of his indomitable courage. He had been down seven times for counts of nine and one of three, while Boon himself had also been down, though he had partially slipped, for a count in the thirteenth round.

Even when the referee stopped the fight, Danahar had boxed so courageously and cleverly, although he was tottering round the ring and was almost out on his feet, that he was practically level on points with the champion.

After a cautious start, Danahar was boxing beautifully and had piled up points by winning four of the first seven rounds.

From the eighth round onwards, it was a slugging match. Boon tried to take advantage of Danahar's progress, but the latter fought back splendidly.

Boon's rights, however, were a telling factor and in the twelfth round he floored his opponent three for counts of nine, repeating the performance in the thirteenth.

After a hard right had floored Danahar, the referee stopped the fight.

BOON PLAYED CARDS!

Boon scaled 9 st. 8½ lbs. and Danahar 9 st. 8½ lbs.

The challenger rose at 7.30 a.m. and went for a stroll on Brighton Beach. Boon played cards past midnight and slept until almost midday.

Every available seat had been sold, and thousands, who made last-minute applications for expensive ring-side seats, were refused.

Critics were of the opinion that the fight would finish by a knock-out before the ninth round. The majority of them favoured Boon's punch to beat Danahar's polish, but the betting was even.

Danahar, who measures 5 ft. 8½ ins., had a four and a half inches height advantage, and also five inches in reach, which is 71 ins. Otherwise, the two youngsters were very evenly-matched.

The promoter, Mr. Syd Hulls, to-day agreed to the fight being broadcast in view of the country-wide interest, though he was dissatisfied with the payment.

The fight began at 9.30 p.m. G.M.T. —Reuter.

"CAPTAIN FOSTER" GOES OVER PROSPECTS IN EACH RACE

THERE will not be much of a swing in the opening chorus in the Fochow Cup, which is the first event on the card, confined to China ponies over the Derby course; and judging the list of entries, I do not expect to see a field of more than three runners. At any rate it will be an easy outing for Silkylight to pick up the first prize stake money of \$750 to pay for his upkeep. Mr. Eric Moller's candidate has not been nominated for any other event on the first day and therefore his pony is a sure starter. King's Warden and Moonlight View should fill the minor positions.

The first public appearance of Derby griffins among the China ponies will be seen in the Maiden Stakes and it is going to be a fine sprint over six furlongs. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose Elect has not been nominated for any other event but this on the first day and his candidate has no opposition. The mare is certainly a tier and should the going be hard, I am sure King's Warden's record time of 1.24½ will be lowered. A good field is assured and we should see a good fight between Avon, Eve of Harvest, Jennifer, Lullaby and Peaceful View for second and third places. All these are speedy merchants and personally I like Avon and Peaceful View.

A BATCH of the Australian sub-cription griffins of this season will appear for the first time in the Sydney Maiden Stakes (first section) and the run is over six furlongs. A lot depends upon the start and punters are advised not to overlook the position of the draw. Among the list of nominations drawn by the Stewards it looks to me that the result of this contest will have a bearing in the Rooty-Hill Derby for Chatterbox, Cockleford, Devonian, Ruby Star and Serenade are all in this section. However, Ruby Star is my fancy with Mrs. Eu Tong-sen's Chiltern and Lady Northcote's Devonian next.

THE China Stakes, which is a scramble for old China ponies from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 170 yards), has attracted 13 entries, but it is amusing to see the inclusion of Fel Ying (a "D" class pony). What chance has he against such stalwarts as Bear Claw, Cameronian, Confusion Day, Desert Chief etc? However, of Eu's stable, Cameronian is undoubtedly a better runner than Desert Chief over a short distance and he has my vote to pass the post first. I may be wrong, but it appears to me that Confusion Day is not the same animal as when I saw him running behind Silkylight in the Autumn Champions. Mrs. Dumbur has two representatives in Bear Claw and Red Feather and the former should give a good account against Cameronian. Gladialor, Oak Bay and Soldier of Britain will have a good battle for third place.

THE first section of the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes confined to China ponies subscription griffins of this meeting will no doubt bring out many starters. It is a sprint over half-a-mile. There are several medium class runners (the good ones being reserved for the Valley Stakes) such as Callentito, Gallant Marshal, Lambeth Bridge, Phoenix, Portrush, Ringmaster, Rose Day, Sea Chief, Silver Star, Tiger Eyes and West Lake in this division. It is reliably learned that Portrush, belonging to Mrs. Tiggart, will be ridden by Mr. Encarnacao and he should therefore catch the judge's eyes first. Lambeth Bridge and West Lake should be well up at the finish.

IN the second section of the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes it looks to me that there is nothing outstanding among the draw made by the Stewards and we shall certainly witness a fine scurry between Ascot Vale, Bressay, February Fourth, Gog, Guinness Time, Patriotic Day, Radium Star, and True Love. In my opinion the order of the finish should be Ascot Vale, Bressay and Patriotic Day.

JANBER, owned by Mr. Bradbury, has returned to work with bandages on her fore-leg but whether the mare will weigh out for the Sydney Maiden Stakes (second section) for Australian griffins of this season over six furlongs, I am unable to make a statement at this juncture. However, Janber (Mr. Black) was given a canter over a mile last Wednesday, but it appeared to me that the mare has lost a good bit of her "pep" and no doubt the "pay-off" was in certain measure responsible for the low gear of her energy and speed.

It should be borne in mind that Janber did a fast gallop over the Derby course in 3.07½ registering 27½ seconds for the last two furlongs and, should her legs stand up to-morrow after running the Sydney Maiden Stakes, the mare must have a say in the Rooty-Hill Derby.

By the way, I was given to understand that the new owners of Laffat That have decided to rename their animal and the pony will in future be known as Happy Landings and will be ridden by Mr. Davis at the meeting. This brown mare has a good sporting chance to secure a place for the damsel is a good roadster over a short excursion trip. The star short distance jockey, Mr. Proulx, has the option of Pumpmickel or Sydney Lad, but in my estimation the former is a cracker for this event and it will not surprise me to see Mr. Proulx giving preference to Pumpmickel. Candidlight and Winfred are dangerous.

JUDGING by the training times, Magog, belonging to Mrs. B. Hall, should be a hot favourite for the third section of the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes over half-a-mile. There are, of course, other contenders such as Charcoal, Matador, National Service, Some Hope, Talkative, Wild Bear and Willynilly, but I am afraid that Magog is too fast. The next two I like are Talkative and Wild Bear. National Service is not a bad fellow for a long shot.

THE major race of the meeting will be the Valley Stakes for China ponies subscription griffins of this season over six furlongs and the second leg of the daily double is on this event. The winner of this important classic is to receive \$1,250.

Special Homeside Soccer Forecast

The following are the teams specially selected to win in the Home Football programme to-morrow:

Home Winners

Charlton
Stoke
Luton
Queen's P.R.
Reading
Bradford C.
Hull
Stockport

Optional Selections

Sheffield U.
West Bromwich
Southend
New Brighton

The probable starters and jockeys are as follows:

PONY JOCKEY

Avon	P. P. Botelho
Celtic Star	S. W. Pan
Chatterbox	B. L. Tuo
Edmond	J. Hoare
Kut Cheung	T. Y. Wouh
Markman	Tang Man-wa
Millene	V. V. Needa
Musketeer	S. C. Liang
National Honour	H. C. Chanson
Orange Boven	C. Encarnacao
Pawnce	P. Y. Wei
Sea Captain	B. Froulx
Sports Venture	F. Marshall
The Grey Tiger	H. C. Pih
This Time	J. Pote-Hunt
Tiny Tim	T. L. Wong
Wilber	D. Black

FOR the last few years the winners of the Valley Stakes did not eventually turn out to be the champion sub-griffins and there are a few ponies in the above list which would like to see starting over a mile and upwards. However it is rumoured that Chatterbox had done a "dark" gallop about a fortnight ago and it has been whispered to me that the chestnut gelding covered a mile in 2.13½ with a poor finish of 34 seconds for the last quarter. Last Wednesday the same pony went over the Valley Stakes distance in 1.39½, romping home in grand style and the Manetta stable has a good candidate for the classic. Kut Cheung and Wilber are trained by the same Russian boy, the latter having more speed for a mile and under and Wilber is dangerous. Without prejudice, Markman does not suit the riding of Mr. Tang Man-wa and should there be a change in the jockey, a small amount each way is worth the investment. In my mind Musketeer is only a sprinter and he has to be at his best to capture the Valley Stakes.

ORANGE BOVEN (Mr. Encarnacao) belonging to the stable Hollandia is a better representative than what they had last Spring in Pict Hein, but I am inclined to believe that the pony is a distance runner. John Peel's Millene has come on nicely and his performance over the champion course on the eve of the Chinese New Year in 2.40½ must be considered in weighing his

Golf

Starting Times Announced

The following starting times at Fanning on Sunday are announced:

0.10	H. N. Williamson, J. L. C. Pearce.
0.20	Forbes, I. J. Carrington.
0.24	W. J. S. Key, W. W. C. Shewan.
0.28	G. D. Nichol, R. L. S. Webb.
0.30	J. Jupp, S. Adamson.
0.32	J. K. Douglas, L. A. R. Duncan.
0.40	N. P. Fox, C. Low.
0.42	R. D. Dowling, K. S. Morrison.
0.44	L. R. Andrews, I. H. Genge.
0.52	D. D. Forbes, H. F. Sommers.
0.56	S. Delany, E. T. McMullen.
1.00	A. N. and Q. A. A. Macfadyen.
1.04	W. N. A. Smalley, W. S. Hillier.
1.08	D. K. Hutton, A. D. Humphreys.
1.12	H. H. Mundy, W. A. Stewart.
1.20	G. C. Worrall, R. Young.
1.24	W. Shaw, A. Bremner.
1.28	P. C. Jackson, E. Laidlaw.
1.32	T. R. Waters, H. Phillips.
1.36	S. Robertson, S. C. Fulliam.
1.40	C. Murray, N. J. Perrin.
1.44	G. F. Harrington, A. M. Mack.
1.48	J. H. C. Hignett, E. S. Fagiano.
1.52	J. E. Richardson, R. M. Wood.
1.56	A. W. Hodges, E. Forbes.
2.00	S. H. Fox, C. A. Goe.
2.04	D. Danby, G. J. Clackett.
2.08	F. C. Young, R. J. Shirley.
2.12	J. W. Mayhew, H. Balder.
2.16	R. C. Gurneur, J. S. Gunnitt.
2.20	L. M. and Mrs. Hillroy.
2.24	Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Hillroy.
2.28	P. E. Annis, J. W. Clague.
2.32	H. L. Carson, E. S. Fagiano.
2.36	and Mrs. Edwards.
2.40	Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Perrin.
2.44	W. Bell, F. G. Maund.
2.48	Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Leighton.

chances. If Millene does not finish among the first three in the Valley Stakes, then have your shirt on him on Monday. I will make my final selections to-morrow.

THE Trial Plate for China ponies bona fide griffins of the meeting is sure to draw out a candidate from each stable. Rose Elect has not been entered for this semi-classic and I have reason to believe that Blue Express will represent Mr. Eu Tong-sen's colours against Hyndford Bridge, Navylight, I understand will be reserved for the Blue Riband to be contested on Monday and in his absence Hyndford Bridge should have an easy passage. Conquering Time will no doubt come out to have a "go" and I like his chance for a place.

THE Currant Handicap for "C" class China ponies over a mile has attracted 10 entries, Tampa Day having been allotted the top weight. It will be recalled that the pony after passing the winning post first in the Portobello Handicap at the St. Andrew's meeting was disqualified for bumping and bearing, but I think Tampa Day is behaving much better now. He is in the pink of condition but Rose Jane, who has 21 lbs. less to shoulder, will no doubt give him a good run for the money. King's Lead is in fine fettle and with Mr. Needa in the saddle the combination may spring a surprise.

IN the last event, the Bendigo Stakes for old Australian ponies ("A" class barred) over a mile, the allotment of weights is assessed on the amount of stakes won during 1938 and John Peel's Griffel, who has not much lead to carry, is looking extremely well. Of course the mare must keep a sharp eye on Toronto Star (the winner of 1938 Rooty-Hill Derby) and Snowy River must also be reckoned. A Great Time, who covered a mile last Wednesday in 1.54½ is certainly worth \$5 each way.

Matches In Badminton Tournament

Further matches are down for decision in the annual Badminton Championships this evening.

In the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwok, of St. Andrew's, will play M. de V. Soares at Talkoo, and in the Men's Doubles, L. Sung and T. F. Yong will clash with R. P. Bywater and North on the same court.

The programme is as follows:

MEN'S JUNIOR SINGLES

D. Kwok v. M. M. de Soares
(Talkoo, 8.30 p.m.)

MEN'S DOUBLES

L. Sung and T. F. Yong v. Bywater and North.

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Rajputana Rifles In Army Hockey Final

Kumaon Rifles Beaten In Fast And Exciting Encounter By 5-3

(By "The Pilgrim")

In a fast and exciting game at Shamshuipo last evening, the Rajputana Rifles accounted for the Kumaon Rifles by 5-3 to qualify for the final of the Army Large Units Hockey Tournament.

In the first 15 minutes the Champions were all over their opponents and almost swept them off their feet. Quick goals were scored by Lt. Sawal Khan (2) and Gopal Ram.

Soon after this furious onslaught, the Kumaon Rifles took up the offensive and did grand work both in defence and attack. Capt. Lawder kept his forwards well together, receiving splendid support from Nerain and Partaub on the left flank. During a desperate attack, a penalty bully was given against Datta Ram for trying to prevent a goal, but Partaub, who took the bully, failed to convert.

Excitement then ran high and in a solitary breakaway by the Rajputana attack, Lt. Indarjit Singh added a fourth goal just as half-time was called.

A very fast pace was still maintained in the second period. The Kumaons again did the attacking but over-anxiety among the forwards was the cause of bad marksmanship. However, they reduced the deficit through Lawder and Partaub. At this time, only occasionally did the Rajputana attack look dangerous, though Sawal Khan and Indarjit Singh combined effectively to force a short corner and the former found his mark from the resultant hit to make the score 5-2.

Chulam Rasul, at centre-half, and Datta Ram, left back, during this period were very prominent. The Kumaons in turn fought back desperately and with only a few minutes to go, Ummed Singh, on the left wing, further reduced the arrears to make the final score 5-3 in favour of the Rajputana Rifles.

POSITIONAL CHANGES

Though positional changes were made between Nerain Singh and Partaub in this half, the Kumaons' attack was unable to penetrate the opposing defence. Lal Singh, centre-half, did excellent work. Capt. Lawder, as leader, greatly improved in the second half but was unfortunate to receive a nasty crack on his right hand which probably prevented him from finishing his attacks properly.

Except for some very wild hitting by the defence, the Rajputana Rifles showed up well as a team and I shall not be surprised if they retain the championship this year.

BADMINTON FIXTURES

In badminton fixtures last night the University defeated the Chinese Y.M.C.A. 5-4 at the Y.M.C.A. In a match at St. Andrew's, the home team defeated the V.R.C. 8-1.



Hollywood's newest love team, Ray Milland and Olympe Bradna, are seen for the first time together in Paramount's comedy-romance, "Say It in French," now showing simultaneously at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Milland plays an American society lad who brings home a French bride in this gay story of life in Manhattan's smart set. Prominent in the supporting cast are Mary Carlisle and Irene Hervey.

MANILA FOOTBALLERS BEATEN IN MACAO BY ODD GOAL IN THREE

Macao, Feb. 23.

The Manila footballers suffered defeat in their match against Macao this afternoon. A record crowd of 2,000 was present to see the eagerly-awaited encounter. The final score was 2-1 in favour of the local side.

Throughout the first half, the visitors impressed both in defence and attack. Their dribbling was superior to their opponents' and their constant raids on Macao territory always looked dangerous.

Nevertheless, Macao had their moments. Once Aires, the centre-half, slipped a neat pass to Joao Lopes, the outside left, but Hernandez, at right back, robbed him of the ball. Later, Lopes got through again but his parting shot went well wide of its mark.

Profiting from the dilly-dallying tactics of their opponents, Manila's defence thereafter had little difficulty in keeping out the local forwards while they themselves opened the scoring in the 20th minute when Bolserie headed the ball into the net from a centre by Beech.

BACKS PLAY WELL

Hernandez and Pacheco, the backs, were in great form for Manila and foiled many attempts of the Macao attackers to break through.

Actually, Manila would have been more than one goal in the lead at half-time but for the fine goal-keeping of Carvalho, for Macao. This player saved some dangerous shots from all angles.

One minute after the change-over, Macao obtained the equaliser, Joao Lopes being the marksman. Encouraged by this success, the local players saw more of the ball, many movements being initiated on the left. However, there was no further scoring until five minutes from the end when Villanueva, the Manila goal-keeper, and Gurreira, the Macao centre-forward, were involved in a mix-up, and when they sorted themselves, the ball was found to be in the net.

Nobody knew what had happened, but the referee decided it was a goal. This proved to be the winning point.

Teams: Manila—Villanueva; Hernandez; Pacheco; R. Nieto; Miranda; Jacobo; Carvalho; Reyes; Larrazabal; Montes; Gurreira. Macao—Carvalho; L. Nieto; Pacheco; R. Nieto; Miranda; Jacobo; Carvalho; Reyes; Larrazabal; Montes; Gurreira.

Italian Spies In Djibouti French Authorities Round Up Gang

PARIS, Feb. 23.

THE NEWSPAPER "Figaro" publishes a report from Djibouti that the French have discovered an Italian spy plot, and as a result arrested eight people.

The authorities discovered photographs of plans of a new aerodrome and military equipment in a box carried by an Italian contractor named Merlino as he was entering the Italian Consulate.

The natives involved in the plot have been deported.—United Press.

Generous Philippines Chinese

Chungking, Feb. 24.

Overseas Chinese in the Philippine Islands donated a total of \$13,500,000 (Chinese currency) to the National Government last year.

Of this amount \$5,500,000 was for the purchase of Liberty Bonds. \$100,000 FOR LABOUR RELIEF.

The Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce has received a letter from General Li Hon-wan, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, stating that he will appropriate \$100,000 as a labour relief fund for the refugees in Hongkong and Macao.

The Kwangtung Governor proposed that the money be used for the establishment of small factories and handicraft workshops.—Central News.

Matshed Fire

Damage estimated at \$1,500 was done to a matched belonging to the Wing Lee building contractors at China Lung Street, Kowloon City, early yesterday morning, when the shed caught fire and was totally destroyed.

A quantity of cement, timber and tools were damaged before the fire brigade managed to get the fire under control. The building and contents were not insured.

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Netherlands To Build Cruisers

The Hague, Feb. 23. It is authoritatively learned that the Government has given orders for two new cruisers which will be the largest warships in the Netherlands navy. They will have a speed of 33 knots.

DETAILS OF THE SHIPS

The Hague, Feb. 23. According to "Trans-Ocean" news agency, the new cruisers will be 1,200 tons each, and are to be equipped with 12.7-millimetre machine guns, 4.7-millimetre anti-aircraft guns, and 100-millimetre main guns.

No New Business Taxes For U.S.

Washington, Feb. 23. Business interests in America have not been worried about new taxes, and many have hoped for an improvement in the present taxes to help business, declared Mr. Henry Morgenthau today, when addressing a press conference.

Each will also be equipped with 4.7-millimetre anti-aircraft guns, and 100-millimetre main guns. The ships will be built at the Rotterdam shipyard.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1939.
25th, 27th and 28th February and 1st and 4th March

On Saturday, 25th, Monday, 27th, Tuesday, 28th February and Wednesday, 1st March, the first race will be run at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 4th March, the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. The time interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladonies must wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting. NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (Indies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chills, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course. The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27704) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, (Tel. 21020).

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting. No animals will be allowed on the Fifth Day.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

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"Greek Goddess" is New Hair Style

Alluring Coiffures Show Sculptured Curls for 1939

The smartest and newest coiffure, perfected by expert hairdressers, is plastic curls, worn flat around the head from a side parting, like that of some sculptured Greek god.

THE leading Paris and New York hairdressers have taken Greek statuary as their inspiration for 1939. They are similar to the popular and flatteringly feminine Edwardian hair style, but more varied and stylized.

Actually the upswept curls of Edwardian tradition, which last year became the rage the world over, were only a variant of the Greek coiffure. Edwardian hairdressers took their styles from classical statues to create the famous coiffures of the "Gay Nineties."

Upswept curls are still the vogue, but towering Edwardian heights are no more, and as mildy changes her coiffure, so milliners, beauty specialists and couturiers design hats, colour combinations, and clothes in keeping with the subtle rearrangement of curls.

The many women who cling to soft, feminine feathery are adopting Pompadour and Mozart hair styles, which have been so popular.

The Powder Box, fashionable Bond Street beauticians and hairdressers, who are responsible for the elegance of the Duchess of Kent's coiffure, told me that these Greek curls are proving very popular, particularly with the current high necklines.

Duchess' Curls

THE Duchess of Kent has been trying out several hair styles recently, adopting first the Pompadour curls, then the Mozart, but finally deciding on the sculptured style.

She is, thus, again giving the lead to smart women by wearing her hair in plastic curls, a style which suits the Duchess, with her classical features, to perfection.

Forecasts for 1939 by the New York Coiffure Guild include small, flat curls and gleaming rolls of lacquered brilliance—hair swathed severely from the nape of the neck in a modern version of the Grecian women of two thousand years ago. One French expert introduces a touch of whimsy to the coiffure of a brunette by pinning a coronet of painted curls atop her own dusky locks.

Style for Blondes

"SOIREE" is a devastating new coiffure for the blonde, and guaranteed to make the Man of the Moment want to go out and kill dragons when he spies the sheer loveliness of you.

This fascinating hair-do is really a sleek version of the "girl in the bath tub." Hair is swathed across the neckline, and then swept high to a flurry of soft rolls.

The most popular new style sponsored on the Continent is called "Radiance," and was created to enhance the glowing beauty of Titian hair.

This style features a series of turned-under puffs, piled high along the crown of the head, and ending in soft little ringlets.

Hats to Match

FOR the not-so-daring charmer there is the brand new "Evening Star" coiffure. Not quite so ultra as the others, but effective—charming! Hair is brushed back from the forehead to glossy curls clustered along the side parting. The back hair is cut very short and curled, so that it almost gives the effect of Jo in "Little Women"—all of which is very youth-making.

Just as Edwardian hairdressing revealed all the rich magnificence and cyclamens of the late Victorian and early Edwardian era, so the new classical style has revived the yellows and leafy greens associated with the young gods and goddesses of Olympus.

This spring colours will range from palest primrose to deepest ochre, from lime-green to deep olive, tangerine and emerald striking a more brilliant note.

Angie Thaurup, who is showing a few advance models, has designed hats for the new coiffure that are one mass of flowers, ribbon loops, feathery wings, and veils.

These hats are worn tilted forward, yet the crowns, two to three inches deep, slope well back to the nape.



of the neck, where, for the most part, the trimming is carried. Norman Hartnell is showing one half-hat, sporting a high crown and three-inch brim, which slopes over one eye, sweeps round on the left side to dip down on to the neck, but is entirely cut away at the right side, showing the curls lying flat on the head.

Touch Tells

IT is easy to learn how to cook, but not so easy to cook well, because the cook, like the masseuse, depends finally upon her manipulative skill. Light hands are necessary for kneading bread, rolling out pastry, and scenes, beating sponge cakes and batters. Always knead with the tips of the fingers or the part of the hand just below the wrist; never with the knuckles.

When rolling, put your hands lightly on the pin with your fingers slightly raised, and slide the pin backwards and forwards, with short, sharp movements. Never roll over the edges of pastry.

Beat butter and sponge cakes in the same direction all the time. When frying omelettes turn off the gas after fifty seconds, tilt the pan towards you quickly, and shape the mixture into a half-moon.

White cakes of the Madeira class have a more spongy texture when the eggs are added before the flour. To prevent them from curdling the creamed butter and sugar, add them little by little, beating vigorously all the time.

Never stir a white sauce quickly at first. Work slowly in wide circles and always in the same direction. The pace may be quickened as the sauce comes to the boil.

Beat eggs slightly for custards, omelettes and souffles, thoroughly for cakes and cake puddings. For very light mixtures divide egg yolks from whites and add the whites, stiffly whisked, just before the mixture is put into the oven. A little caster sugar or a pinch of bi-carbonate of soda added to egg whites while beating shortens the process and gives a more fluffy result.

W. B.

Changing The Home Scene

IT is not good for anyone to live in the same surroundings for very long, so it is a wise plan to change the position of the furniture occasionally.

Why not, for instance, change the diningroom into the sittingroom simply by an exchange of the furniture? If you cannot do this, then have an exchange of pictures in every room in the house. It does not sound much, but it is amazing what a difference even this slight change will effect.

Fresh toilet mats, table cloths, even new serviettes, will all help to brighten the home and the cost is slight enough, is it not?

But if you have a little money to spend, and your furniture is of the upholstered type, cover it for the spring in ray cretonne and make some new cushion covers. This cretonne is quite inexpensive, and loose covers can either be made at home, or at the shop where you buy the material.

Again have you ever thought of over-hauling your vases? If they are all of the tall, cut-glass type, invest in the flat type of pottery vase or smoked or painted glass to add variety to the floral scene.

Make some alteration in your lighting as well. A new cover on your standard lamp will look cheerful and effect a difference in the lighting colour, for instance, from cream to rose. If you have two concealed lighting shades on either side of the mantelpiece, and of those of the pottery lamps on the bureau, you will be able to sense a new atmosphere immediately.

Have you ever thought about your mirrors? Small framed mirrors in the sittingroom will help to make it more interesting.

O. L.

Boleros From Remnants

THE bolero is here again on a tide of fresh popularity, and a very useful little garment it is. A guy one puts life into the dulllest frock; a dark one tones down a smart gown into a simple dinner ensemble.

So, if you have any odd pieces or bits of velvet, brocade, and felt, here are some ideas you may like to try.

Any colour of dress felt can be used for a sleeveless bolero. Buy a ball of angora wool of the same shade, and crochet three rows all round the edge. Add two small "tufts" at either side to look like imitation pockets. Or you can use black felt and white angora—this would look charming over a multi-coloured silk afternoon frock.

Sales often produce a couple of yards of white chiffon at a low price. Line it with strong white satin and edge with tiny silver bugles or sequins. This makes an attractive bridge coat, or, slipped over a white dance frock, is ideal for that dinner date.

Even a yard and a half of brocade is sufficient for the small bolero, and will look just right over a black velvet frock. Turn-back lapels can be added if more material be used, and puffed sleeves (if the gown is sleeveless).

For a softer silk, cut the back into a "V" yoke, and then pull on the material so as to form a swaggy style. The accordion-pleated bolero, too, is very smart, particularly if it has sleeves to match, falling very full at the wrist. Try this in chiffon, but remember that you will need three times the ordinary amount of material.

For Day Dresses

The bolero day dress is exceptionally practical. Make a black tailored skirt with belt attached, a long-sleeved, very short-jacketed bolero, and a gay silk blouse with Peter Pan collar. The edges of this should show below the bolero.

If you use a dark material—green, black, blue, or red—you can "ring the changes" by having two or three contrasting blouses. As these are quite plain and sleeveless, their cost is almost negligible. Or, if you have a good satin evening frock which is out of date, why not make a blouse from it? This may easily be cut from the wide skirt.

Again, perhaps you prefer a blouse of the same tone. In this case, applique your bolero in the corners with bright bits of felt, and make a design round the hem of the skirt, too.

If you have any narrow lengths of gold or silver ribbon, edge the bolero and skirt with several bands about one inch apart (the skirt should, in this case, be flared at the hem.)

O. L.

FASHION NOTES

LONG evening gloves, in lovely pastel shades of pink, turquoise, primrose, or lettuce green are seen. Equally popular are wrist-length black evening gloves, invisibly embroidered in pearls. It is surprising how often pearls are used now for embroidery accessories, due no doubt to the fact that pearls have soared in fashion's favour.

Evening petticoats are becoming more and more glamorous. Wide insets of cobwebby lace are set into voluminous folds of silk, and many yards of lace edge the hem.



An expression of the hood attached to the blouse that becomes part of a jacket costume. The blouse is suggested to be worn with a fitted cardigan. Note the effect of the hat worn with simple matching skirt.

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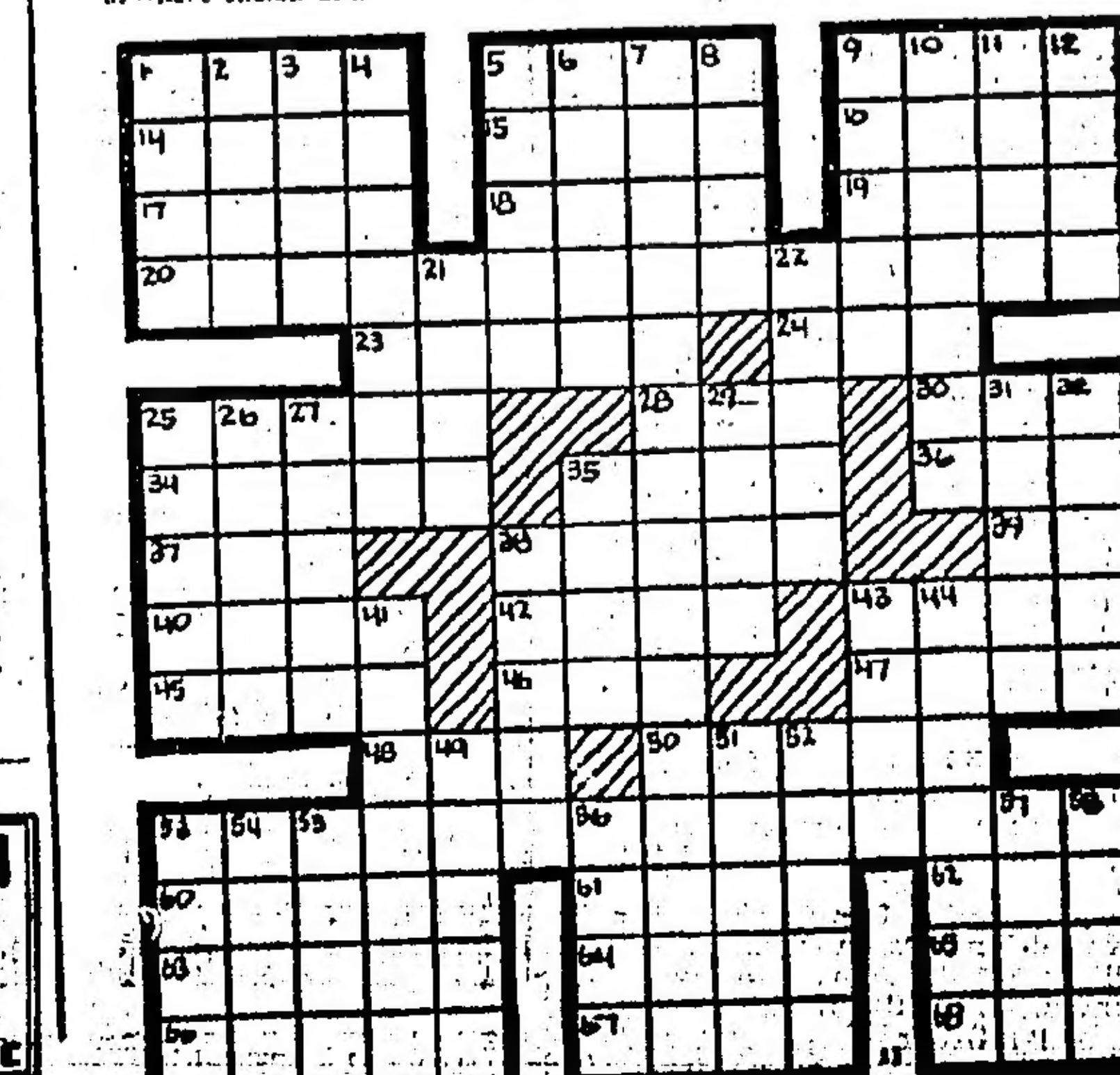
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By LARS MORRIS

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Here are two sport coat models that are having an early success. Left: The two-way silhouette. Fur or felt. This model is a fleecy llama monotone diagonal weave. It illustrates the use of tiny collars and high necks worked into yoke pockets.
Right: A favourite straight line coat with four pockets worked in vertically. The colours include horizon blue, gold, a light brown, turquoise, and dusty pink.

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THERE is a babies' club in Chelsea, where mothers and babies meet twice a week. Here in this cottage, which still has a grille in the front door and a long quavering bell-pull of rusted iron, is a fashionable "club" atmosphere, sociable and happy.

The "appointments" have all the amenities of an up-to-date West End club. The dressingroom, with its white, porcelain, chromium-fitted basins that stand only 18 inches high, is decorated very much in the modern manner in pale and dark rose pink, with pale green cubicles. Each child has an independent locker, towel-rail, and toothbrush rack, adorned with the owner's private "crest," usually an animal, because most of the members are too young to read.

The rose-pink hall repeats the impression of club life. Here are found neatly typewritten lists of "defaulter" for all to see, giving the names of babies who have not slept. By the side of this stand is printed a menu of lunches for the week. These have been passed and approved by the mothers, usually wives of authors, artists, and professional men.

Studios as Schoolrooms

Two studios running out on to a rambling old-world garden, equipped with a sandpile, swings, and slides for play, are used as schoolrooms.

In one room, babies of two to three and a half years old "study," and if visiting one can often see half a dozen children playing absorbedly with the sense-training toys recently introduced.

The other studio, given over to the children of four years of age and over, is gay with yellow walls, green doors, and tiny individual chairs and tables of unpainted oak, each with a pot of growing flowers.

At the lunch hour the children carefully don small bib-aprons and wash in the adjoining dressingroom, laboriously smoothing the sides and tops of small heads, and lay little green cloths for lunch.

After lunch they bring out camp beds into the garden, climb into blanket-lined canvas bags, and partake of an hour or so of what is obviously the least popular part of the club routine.

The active occupations planned for these babies are a sheer delight to them. They revel in dusting and sweeping with tiny brooms, polishing spoons and glasses with miniature dusters, picking and arranging flowers. There are no organized lessons. Certain time is given over to free play—play with "toys that teach"—and to the feeding of the goldfish, tortoise, birds, cats, and dogs which are the children's pets.

All is done very much in the grown-up manner, and play is usually punctuated—as the visitor realises—by unconscious skits on grown-up conversation.

"We're going out to dinner to-night," announced a small girl. Well, you'd better hurry up and dress, I don't want to be kept waiting," said the three-year-old boy who played the part of "father" in this make-believe game.

E. A.

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Execution Follows Amoy Killing

CHUANCHOW, Feb. 24. A Japanese detective has been assassinated in Amoy. The assassin left behind a slip of paper declaring himself to be a member of the Chinese Youth Corps for the Recovery of China's Lost Territory. Handbills denouncing the Japanese militarists were also distributed. As a result of an extensive search conducted by the Japanese authorities, a member of the Corps by the name of Chang Chen-wen was arrested. He was executed the following day.—Central News.

LATE NEWS

DOCK COMPANY'S DIVIDEND

Subject to audit, the Board of Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company Ltd. will recommend to shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting the following appropriations of the amount at credit of the Profit and Loss Account at December 31, 1938: To Pay a Dividend of six per cent; To Pay a Bonus of four per cent; To place \$350,000 in Special Reserve for Extensions; To place \$507,300 in General Reserve; To Write Down Stocks by \$150,000; To Pay Bonus of \$70,000 to Staff; and To Carry Forward \$370,000.

ACADEMY AWARD FOR G.B.S.

"Reuter" states George Bernard Shaw has received the annual award of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the best written screen play place in 1938. This was the adaptation of his play "Pygmalion," not yet screened in Hongkong. Yesterday, Norma Shearer received a similar award for the best female acting for her part in "Marie Antoinette," now showing at the King's Theatre.

Galeno Beats Feldman

Miami, Feb. 24. Tony Galento, heavyweight boxer, beat Feldman by l.i.c.o. after 31 1/2 seconds in third round of scheduled ten round bout. Feldman, who former winner on points against John Henry Lewis, was terribly hammered and bare bruises as large as a lemon. The loser went down three times in second round for counts of nine, eight and seven. He was on his knees in third round, helpless, when referee stopped fight.—Reuter.

Anglo-French Recognition

Paris, Feb. 24. Events in connection with Spain are moving forward to a rapid climax. M. Daladier asked for vote of confidence in Deputies this morning on the issue of Government's right to grant de jure recognition to Franco without a preliminary debate in Parliament. It is expected that French recognition—and probably British as well—will be a fait accompli by Monday.—Reuter.

Chinese Hold On To Old Banknotes

Japanese Measure Fails In N. China

Peking, Feb. 23. Old banknotes have practically disappeared from everyday use since the 40 per cent devaluation was enforced on February 19, but, contrary to official predictions, there was no last-minute rush to change the old notes prior to the devaluation deadline. The Federal Reserve banks at Chitung and Hopen waived their holiday on February 19 to give owners of old notes a last chance to change them, but only 1,000 yuan were changed at the Federal Reserve Bank, less than 100 yuan were changed at the Bank of Hopen, while only 5,000 yuan were changed in the last five days, prior to devaluation.

Banking circles are of the opinion that all the panicky changing was done when devaluation was first announced, while the present trend of the richer Chinese is to hold on to their reserves of old notes.—United Press.

Chinese Attack In Manchukuo

Chungking, Feb. 24. Again swinging into action, Chinese volunteers in Manchukuo have inflicted extensive damage upon the Peiping-Liaoning Railway at Taku-shan and the Antung-Mukden Railway near Fengcheng, according to dispatches received here.

Raiders have also been staged on Japanese garrison posts and transport convoys.

Japanese reinforcements are being rushed to different strategic points along the communication lines to forestall further attacks.—Central News.

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Canada arrived at Shanghai on Thursday at 2.30 p.m. and left at 10 a.m. to-day.

London Stock Market Quiet

London, Feb. 23. On the London Stock Exchange today, home rails, industrials and gilt-edged securities attracted a little buying interest in otherwise quiet, but mainly steady markets. Cable and Wireless stocks strengthened on better sentiment regarding traffic outlook. Among commodities, jute was firm and active, with improved trading and speculative buying, otherwise they were very quiet. Foreign exchanges were quiet, apart from some activity in Belgium which were offered owing to the continued nervousness regarding the internal political situation, and revival of the talk of devaluation. Control pegged the spot rate, but for three months forward, discount widened from 11 to 20 centimes. Wall Street was quiet.—Reuter Special.

Martial Law In British Guiana

London, Feb. 23. Martial law was proclaimed to-day in the district of Georgetown, British Guiana, owing to the threatening situation there. Despatches state that 1,000 strikers, armed with long knives, are assembling so that the police have had to be reinforced and supplied with firearms. In view of the revolutionary character of the disorders, the police have received instructions to prevent groups of more than three persons forming in the streets.—Trans-Ocean.

Baron, Baroness Die In Plane

Algiers, Feb. 23. A wireless message from Fort Lamy in French Equatorial Africa, says that Baron de Foucauld, Inspector-General of Finance in Paris, and the Baroness were killed when their plane crashed near Oumanga, 300 miles from the border of Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. They were bound for sources of the Nile by a hitherto unexplored route.—Reuter Special.

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Boom Defence Ship Had Rough Trip

The boom defence vessel Bantlight arrived from Singapore yesterday after a rough journey lasting over two weeks. The ship has come out from United Kingdom to join the Barlan, another of the same class which recently completed her trials and was commissioned.

Restrictions In Hankow

Shanghai, Feb. 23. A new agreement has been reached in Hankow between the French

Baden Powells' Birthdays

Nairobi, Feb. 23. Lord and Lady Baden-Powell today celebrated their 82nd and 50th birthdays respectively by attending the Girl Guide celebrations at the Government House of Nairobi. The Chief Scout was in excellent spirits.—Reuter.

Concession and Japanese authorities regarding the opening of a certain street for unarmed Japanese. On the other hand, the Japanese have abolished the food embargo. Nevertheless, only small quantities are entering the Concession.—Trans-Ocean.

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